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TODAY'S WEATHER: Moderate S.W. or West winds. Fair periods and scattered brief showers.
Noon Observations: Barometric pressure, 1010.1 mbs. 29.83 in. Temperature, 85° deg. F. Dew point, 78° deg. F. Relative humidity, 76. Wind direction, W.S.W. Wind force, 8 knots. Low water: 4 in. at 5.20 p.m. High water: 7 ft. 6 in. at 10.52 a.m. (Saturday).

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LI TSUNG-JEN TO DECIDE OWN FATE

May Retire To The U.S.

CANTON TALKS

Hongkong, May 12.—It was disclosed today that President Li Tsung-jen has summoned his top advisers and military supporters to a Canton conference where he is expected to decide whether to continue in office. The meeting was expected to decide whether the retired President, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, and other members of his clique have given Li sufficient guarantees that the Acting President would be permitted to remain in full control of the tottering Nationalist regime.

It was revealed that unless the Generalissimo could guarantee no interference in military, political and economic functioning of the present government, Li probably would step down and go to the United States in a private capacity.

Kan Chi-hou, one of Li Tsung-jen's closest advisers, said he would fly to Canton this afternoon for the conference as a result of a summons from Li. He will be joined at the meeting by General Pai Chung-hsi, Central China commander, General Hsia Wei and others.

Kan Chi-hou indicated that the gathering of military and political leaders in Canton would be climaxed on Saturday with an announcement. But he declined to make a prediction in that connection. He said, "I know nothing yet. I have been called to Canton by a telephone call from Li Tsung-jen."

He said he would return to Hongkong on Saturday and that he intended to proceed to the United States on a mission for Li.

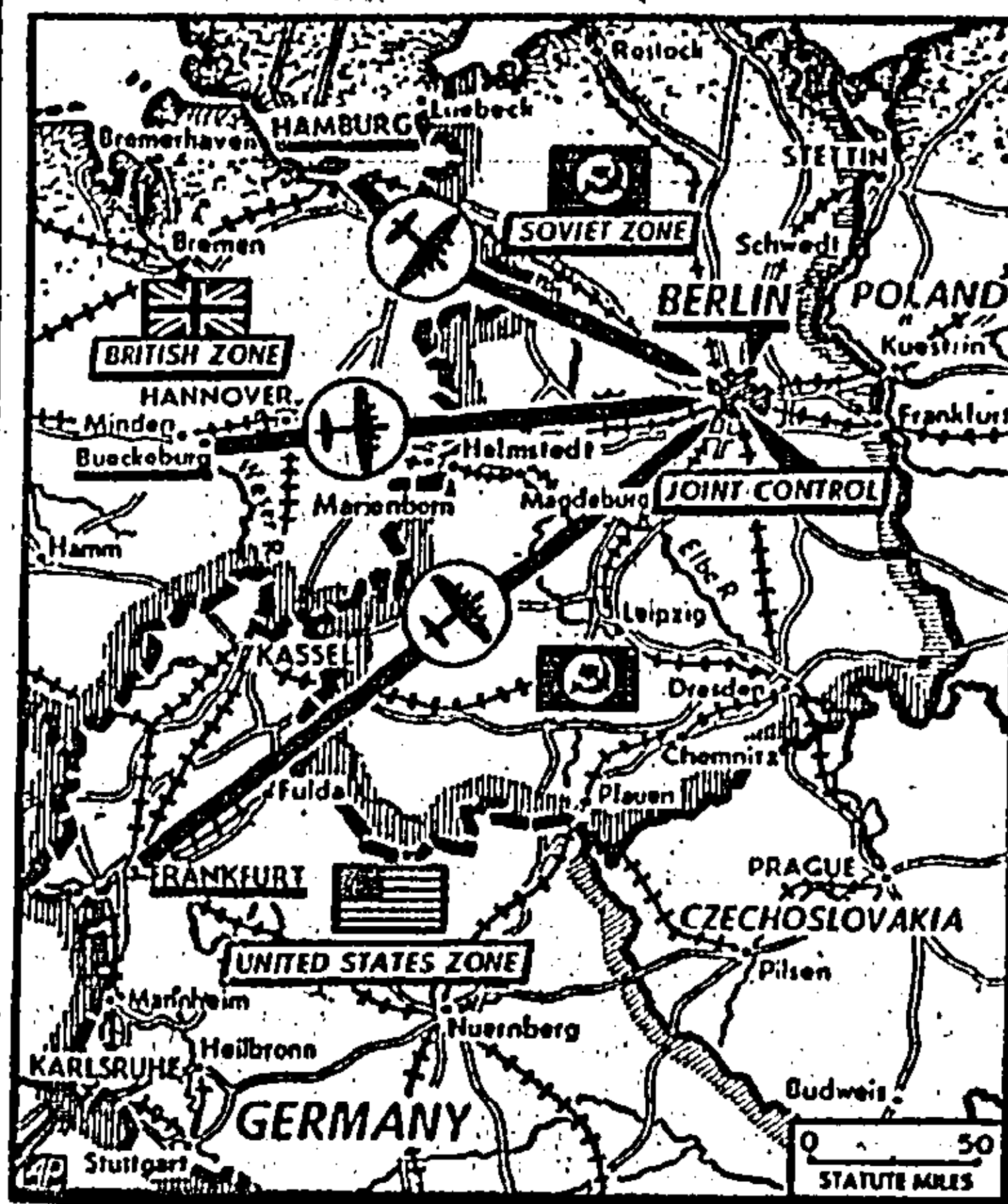
CANTON CONFUSION

From the government standpoint, Canton is in a confused state. There is little or no co-ordination even among bureaux of the same ministries. Offices are scattered widely in the sprawling crowded city. Few are willing

to assume the role of a spokesman for any branches of the government. None of the ministries or bureaux seems to know what the other is doing. The rumour factory in the city is not operating at the peak reached in Nanking and Shanghai. But a multitude of conflicting reports have arisen there.

The uneasiness among government officials is evident. The Kwangsi provincial authorities have ordered families of dependants back to Kweilin. Legislative Yuan members are trying to arrange housing for their dependants in Formosa. Reports of plans to move the government to Fochow, Kweilin, Chungking and Taipei were heard openly.—United Press.

Transportation Network



This is the network of the major highways and rail lines leading into Berlin which has now been restored to traffic as a result of the lifting of the blockade. —AP Picture.

Mr MacDougall Given A Rousing Send-Off

A rousing send-off was accorded the Hon. D. M. MacDougall, CMG, retiring Colonial Secretary, at Queen's Pier this morning.

As the launch Victory, aboard which stood Mr MacDougall, cast off her moorings at the wharf, two strings of crackers were set alight simultaneously and when the launch was making a turn towards Kowloon, three more strings were lighted resulting in a thunderous burst accompanied by a veritable smokescreen.

On board the Victory with Mr MacDougall, were his mother, Mrs MacDougall, Miss Inez Thompson, the Hon. B. K. Hawkins (Acting Secretary for Chinese Affairs) and Mrs Hawkins, Mr J. H. Kintjies, Miss Rutledge and Mr M. W. Lo. The party crossed the harbour to the Kowloon Wharf where they disembarked and boarded the P. and O. R. M. S. Carthage on which the retiring Colonial Secretary, Mrs MacDougall, and Miss Thompson are sailing for the United Kingdom.

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Britain Refuses To Cancel Jap Reparations

BUT MAY HAVE TO FOLLOW EXAMPLE SET BY U.S.

London, May 12.—News that the United States has decided to halt reparations deliveries from Japan was received in London tonight with resignation rather than approval.

The Foreign Office spokesman refused to comment on the decision, which was announced today to the Far Eastern Commission in Washington by the United States representative, Major General Frank R. McCoy.

According to a usually reliable source, the British Government received brief advance notice.

Reds Step Up Battle For Shanghai

Shanghai, May 13.—Co-ordinating their operations with a thrust towards Shanghai from the southwest, Communist shock troops at the city's "western gate" have unleashed reinforced attacks against the Quinsan-Tachang sector, while Nationalist war planes bombarded Red troops to prevent them from approaching.

A communique issued by the Wuoning-Shanghai Garrison Command said that Government soldiers in the Quinsan area were "fighting back heroically." To the southwest, where the Communists are now approaching points paralleling those held on the west, one Red detachment attacked the area west of Kinsang, 12 miles southward of Sungkiang, but was beaten off, the communique stated.

Sungkiang, 32 miles southwest of the Shanghai old city of half a million along the railway to Kinsang, is expected to be the immediate objective of the Reds slowly pushing northward from the area of Kinsang, 70 miles southwest, which they occupied last week after some of the most severe fighting witnessed since the battle for South China got under way on April 22.

Nationalist aircraft "heavily bombed" a 1,000-man Red column marching against Quinsan from Chinyi, and took heavy toll, according to the communique.

AIR SUPPORT

A communique last night giving the results of air support in the battle for Tachang, 10 miles northeast of Quinsan and about the same distance from Shanghai, said the planes inflicted 1,000 casualties in that area from Chinyi, and took 100 trucks and 40 jeeps. Nationalist planes also bombed Red troops in the famous Grand Canal near Soochow and Kinsang. They bombed enemy cavalry near Wusung, Chienkung Province, and other Communist concentrations around Fengchiang, about 40 miles southwest of Shanghai, one of the strongpoints for Sungkiang.

Other attacks trying to seize Shantung, west of Sungkiang, were "being held by us," a Shanghai military communique said. The military picture added up to the conclusion that the Communists are now operating dozens of comparatively small units in infiltration, encirclement and bypassing tactics until they can mass sufficient troops for frontal assaults when and if the Nationalists make a big stand—possibly in the immediate environs of Shanghai. However, during the past ten days numerous small scale combats made by the Reds around Quinsan, 30 miles west of here, gained them little ground to date.

MAJOR OFFENSIVE

The latest military communique added that north of Tachang, three divisions with 20 field guns started a "major offensive" at 3 p.m. yesterday. It said that up to late last night, the Reds had not

It is considered clear from the reply given by Mr Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, to a question in the House of Commons yesterday that Britain has not consented to cancel reparations payments by Japan. Mr Bevin was asked whether the time had not come to consider a settlement of the Japanese reparations and to reopen the question of a Japanese peace treaty. His answer gave no indication that the British Government was agreeable to a suspension of Japanese reparations payments.

Since the Japanese occupation costs fall wholly on the United States Treasury, it is realised by officials here that Britain is not in a position to insist on continued reparations deliveries from Tokyo.

DIFFICULT POSITION
If the United States occupation authorities have finally decided to suspend payments, Britain, who has received payments destined for Burma, Malaya and the Far Eastern colonies, can do little beyond accepting the position with the best grace possible.

The ability of the British Government to influence policy in matters affecting Japan is very limited and on a different plane from the situation in Germany.

The United States appeal for the retention of a number of plants in western Germany which had been earmarked for reparations, on the grounds that they would assist the European Recovery Programme, was a matter for prolonged three-power negotiations earlier this year.

London-Karachi Air Record

Karachi, May 12.—Mr Neville Duke, the Hawker Aircraft Company test pilot, knocked three hours and 54 minutes off the London to Karachi record when he arrived here at 6.59 p.m. GMT tonight.

The previous London to Karachi record was 19 hours, 14 minutes. This was set up by an Avro Lancaster in 1946.

MP Thinks Singapore's Trade Is Prejudiced

London, May 12.—Walter Fletcher, Opposition Conservative, contested in the House of Commons today the Government view that entrapment trade with Singapore is not prejudiced by the trade agreement recently concluded with the Netherlands.

He asked the Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, Mr John Edwards, for an assurance that in concluding the agreement, providing for expanded trade with Indonesia, care was taken to ensure that the sale of goods from Britain and stocked in Singapore was not prejudiced by the agreement.

Mr Edwards replied, "Yes, my department is well aware of the importance of the traditional entrapment trade with Singapore. This trade is not prejudiced by the trade agreement recently concluded with the Netherlands."



Honour For Dr Arthur Woo

London, May 12.—Dr Arthur Woo of Hongkong was this evening admitted to the Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons and became the first Chinese to hold this honour. Lord Webb-Johnson, the President, was in the chair at the Council meeting.

The honour was in recognition of Dr Woo's 20 years as a medical practitioner. Dr Woo said his honour was shared by all Chinese doctors.—Our Own Correspondent.

Holiday Air In Berlin

Berlin, May 12.—Laughing, singing Germans paraded flag-decked Berlin today cheering the arrival of trains and food convoys from the West as the city began to return to normal after its 10-month blockade.

Once more traffic flowed freely across the sector boundaries, where up to midnight East German police had searched all passengers for contraband. Schoolchildren were on holiday for the day, work stopped in most factories and shops allowed workers to attend rival demonstrations in Eastern and Western sectors.

Overhead, Anglo-American aircraft continued to arrive at 90-second intervals with supplies to build up food stock.—Reuter.

Garrison To Be 12,000 Strong

The Telegraph learns from a reliable source that when all the military reinforcements have arrived in Hongkong the Colony's garrison will total about 12,000.

Garrison strength at the moment is about 4,000, and another 8,000, including line troops, armoured units and other auxiliaries will eventually reinforce the garrison.

London, May 12.—The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, disclosed on moving the second reading of the Ireland Bill that so far only three men have stated their wish to return to Eire as an alternative to being called up for National Service.—Reuter.

18 Million May Vote Today

London, May 12.—Eighteen million people in England and Wales may vote if they wish in today's municipal elections. Polling takes place in 352 provincial boroughs and 21 London boroughs in which nearly 10,000 candidates have been nominated for over 4,700 seats. Majority results are being declared late tonight or early tomorrow.

There has been a big decrease in the number of Independents many of whom adopted Party labels for the first time.

There are rival claims of gains and losses in urban and rural district elections in England and Wales. Labour claimed they gained 294 seats and lost 134—78 net gains. The Conservative Central Office claimed that the Conservatives had 123 gains and 11 losses—112 net gains.—Reuter.

Marries Just Before Sailing For Hongkong

Liverpool, May 12.—Trooping rules were relaxed last night to allow a sergeant sailing for Hongkong to say a "doctored farewell" to his wife of a few hours.

Half an hour before he was due to leave with the 1st Battalion, Royal Leicestershire Regiment to embark in the troopship Empire Halladale, Sergeant Herbert Charlton, 29, was married at the Leicester Regent Hotel to 20-year-old Frauline Maria Hein who flew to England from Germany last Monday.

After the ceremony the bridegroom went straight back to barracks. The bride waved farewell as he left by train for Liverpool. Several hours later, however, as the Sergeant was stowing away his equipment aboard the ship he was told he could to shore and say farewell to his wife.

Maria had been given a lift by car from Leicester to Liverpool by a sympathetic Army Major.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

Unintelligent Replies

ON Wednesday, in the House of Commons, Mr Creech Jones gave replies to two questions that have been occupying the attention of Hongkong for three years. One concerned a new airport; the other, constitutional reform. The replies were puerile, to say the least. The Imperial Government, we are at this stage solemnly assured, agrees in principle to proceed with the construction of an aerodrome on the shores of Deep Bay. That is hardly new information, and even if it were it is robbed of its interest by the qualifying observation that it is impossible yet to indicate when constructional work will begin. The Colony feels pretty strongly on this question of a new and modern airport. It remembers the Pingshan fiasco which achieved only two objectives—both negative: It wasted public money and unnecessarily dispossessed a number of Chinese farmers who had to remove to alternative sites. For three years, at least, this Colony, which Government Ministers and other talkative people are so ready to flatter with praise for its splendid recovery, has waited for some tangible sign of a new airport coming into being. Yet today we are still told that it is "not yet possible to say when the civil aerodrome will be ready for use." And in the same breath, Mr Creech Jones accuses Hongkong of possessing no interest in itself. It cannot be said that the Imperial Government has gone out of its way to encourage any such interest. We are informed that it is our own fault that we have not yet secured constitutional reform. That is

sheer nonsense. Only procrastination on the part of the Colonial Office prevented the Young Plan from being made effective a year, after it had been drawn up by Sir Mark Young and submitted to London for approval. There was a becoming show of interest in the project when it was first mooted, but the Colonial Office spent so many months hemming and hawing over the scheme that the public, not unnaturally, developed symptoms of apathy. But the Colony's interest in constitutional reform has never completely vanished, and if Mr Creech Jones were fully informed, he would know that there has been a resurgence of activity created by the appearance of the Hongkong Reform Club which made its first objective a revision of the existing Legislative Council. The constitutional reform which Hongkong is now demanding goes even further than the Young Plan which aimed only at the establishment of a municipal council. We are now asking for elected representatives to the Legislative Council, but how long it will take for us to enjoy this much-needed reform probably only Mr Creech Jones and his Colonial Office colleagues can say. If they treat the subject with the same indifference as they have a new airport and the Mark Young scheme, we shall assuredly have to wait a very long time. We are used to waiting patiently, but we do not like our intelligence insulted by replies to House of Commons questions on the subject such as those given this week by the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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Lausanne Deadlock Broken

Lausanne, May 12.—Arabs and Israelis today signed a protocol binding both sides to a definite starting point for their peace talks at Lausanne.

A communique issued by the three United Nations Conciliation Commissioners for Palestine described the protocol as "a basis on which to work, constituting the starting point of the Lausanne conversations." The protocol, which was worked out by the French chairman of the Conciliation Commission, Mr. Claude de Borsanger, was signed for Israel by Dr. Walter Eytan, chief of the delegation, and for the Arab side by the delegation and head of the Israeli Foreign Office.

The leaders of the four Arab delegations—Egypt, Transjordan, Syria and Lebanon—signed separately during their first joint meeting with the Conciliation Commission.

Both the Conciliation Commissioners and the delegates refused to give any details of the protocol. They described it as "the first important development in the Lausanne talks, which yesterday entered their third week."

It is understood, however, that the protocol will break the deadlock caused by differing Israeli and Arab views on where the talks should start.—Reuter.

THE POLICEMAN WAS SMARTER

Ambala, East Punjab, May 12.—Three smartly dressed girls had picked the pocket of a young man after sending him to the police station.

Flattered by their gesture, the victim walked away minus his purse, but a traffic policeman, who noticed the incident, escorted the girls to the police station, where the purse was recovered from them.—Reuter.

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WOMANSENSE

Old Hat Made New

By BARBARA BUNDSCHU

NEW YORK. ONE of the nation's top-milliners admit—that it's no sin to re-trim an old straw hat.

And Sally Victor, whose own skill has placed her name among the greats on American hat labels, came up with some pointers on how to do it well.

"Discoloured straw is something people worry a lot about," Mrs. Victor said. "They should remember it doesn't show as much at head level as when they have the hat in their hands."

And it can be camouflaged. A covering of fine veiling in a neutral, but not a matching, colour does wonders, Mrs. Victor said. Her own favourite for the purpose is a soft moss green. If it's the brim that's faded, a ruffled fabric petticoat, made to match a blouse or a dress, can cover it gaily.

Saucepan Used

Try to find a saucepan or mixing bowl that fits the original shape of the crown. If it's a perfect fit, press as you would a straight brim. If you can't find one, stuff the crown with tissue paper and steam it gently over a boiling teakettle. Results depend entirely on how handy you are in steaming and

shaping. It might go back where it belongs.

A straight brim can be reshaped into a mushroom or bonnet brim by opening the brim in back and pulling the edging wire shorter.

Ribbons Do Much

When it comes to trimming, Mrs. Victor is a great believer in a bit of fresh ribbon. "Practice until you can tie a bow really well," she advises. "A few fresh bows among the sick flowers may be all you need. They can work like water on a garden." If the flowers need replacing, be careful—how you place them and how you sew them.

"Just a flower here and there can be dangerous if you're inexperienced," she said. "And a lot of them can cover a multitude of sins."

Pin them on first to get the effect, Mrs. Victor said. "Don't be afraid to add a whiff somewhere if you need height. And don't sew them on through the heads of the flowers. Tack them to the hat as firmly as you can by the stems. If you need something to copy, pick a really good hat, Mrs. Victor advises.

Unless you're exceptionally handy or want a special effect you could get in only a custom-made hat, Mrs. Victor advises against starting from scratch with a roll of straw. "There are lots of well-made, inexpensive hats, and they'll look better," she said.—United Press.

Tiered Skirt



ALICE ALDEN

JACQUELYN Ross, American designer, brings to clothes the fine taste for colour and line that made her a successful interior decorator. Shown here is one of her afternoon dresses. It is a black silk crepe model with a fitted top and low diagonal neckline. Eight hand-rolled tiers fall diagonally around the skirt, ending in an uneven hemline, a detail that marks many of the new clothes.

Never Neglect Any Type of Burn

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN

BURNS should never be neglected. All but the slightest burns should be treated as though they were surgical emergencies. Efforts of treatment, such as putting on flour, ointments of one type or another, etc., only may serve to bring germs in contact with the burned tissues and lead to severe infections. In every home there should be a first-aid kit, containing sterile gauze and such things as antiseptics.

Less severe burns should be carefully placed by the doctor to get rid of dirt, with no attempt at removing the blistered skin. Sterile salt solution or boiled water can be used for this cleansing. Then a mild antiseptic dressing, such as a boric acid solution, can be put on. The burned area should be covered with a sterile gauze dressing.

Hospital Care

In severe burns, the patient should be placed in a hospital as soon as possible. One of the most important things in the treatment of a severe burn is the prevention of shock or collapse. This requires the giving of blood plasma by injection into a vein. In addition, injections of glucose or a salt solution are needed to replace the fluids which have been lost.

Morphine may be injected under the skin, if necessary, to relieve pain and combat shock. However, in some instances, this will not be required.

In the local treatment of the burned area, of first importance is thorough cleansing. This should be done as soon as possible. In severe cases, this can best be carried out in an operating room under sterile precautions. The patient is usually given an anesthetic to put him to sleep. Sterile water or salt solution may be used for cleansing purposes. In some cases, there may be so much dirt in the burned area that cleansing with a soap solution may be required. Strong solutions and the use of a brush for cleaning the area are harmful.

After the area is cleaned, the physician will decide just what treatment to employ. One treatment consists of dusting the area with penicillin powder. Sulfonamide powders have also been used, but do not seem to be as satisfactory. The tannic acid treatment, formerly employed to a great extent, seems now to be used only in special cases.

Advices Going Barefoot

For better feet go barefoot, says a chiropodist.

Calling shoes "the great enemy of the human foot," Dr. Samuel B. Shulman told the Illinois Association of Chiropodists that while he was in China and India for a year during the war he found few foot defects among people who always go barefoot.

"The shoeless Chinese coolie does not wrinkle his face in pain because his feet are killing him," the New York foot specialist said.

MEN AS HOUSE CLEANERS FASTER THAN WOMEN

By ELIZABETH TOOMEY

NEW YORK. WOMEN can out-dust the men when it comes to spring house cleaning, according to Arthur Schoenbaum. But the men have a muscle advantage in heavy cleaning jobs. Schoenbaum, and his brother, run a home cleaning service with an all-male staff. They hire men because they work faster and can do the heavy chores much easier. But women win their votes for the best cleaners.

"They're more thorough," Schoenbaum said. "They remember the little things." Men may know how to wash a wall, for instance, but they usually forget to dust the light bulbs. In fact, Schoenbaum has figured out that 60 percent of the men ignore light bulbs when they clean house. He offers no percentages on the women.

On spring days his male staff of cleaners can be seen moving into New York homes and apartments like a squad of commandos, armed with buckets, cans of cleaning fluid, floor polishers and plenty of imported French chemicals for the windows. First they wash the walls, then the woodwork, then they dust and finally clean the furniture.

Paint Needs Care

Schoenbaum said he had to learn to walk up to a wall and know just how much soap and water it would stand. The water soluble paints, for instance, won't stand as thorough a sudsing as other paints. On those they use a soapy rag that has been squeezed fairly dry. Then,

Furniture cleaning and rug shampooing are two jobs best left to the expert. Schoenbaum uses a dry cleaning solution on upholstered furniture. He doesn't believe in washing it. Water may take the sheen off the upholstery or cause it to fade. Rug shampooing is successful on certain carpets only if it is properly done. The amateur had better content himself with a thorough vacuuming, and cleaning of soiled areas with a cloth moistened with a commercial cleaner.

Schoenbaum and his all-male housemaids will even wash the dishes and clean the silverware for home owners. But they get a little impatient doing those jobs.

Washing dishes, Schoenbaum explained, is just being tedious for a man.



NANCY MAKES TELEVISION BOW—Ernie Bushmiller (left), creator of the popular comic strip "Nancy," demonstrates a point or two for television producer Dee Cooley. Bushmiller and Nancy were guests on the NBC Lanny Ross show.

Keeping the Skin Youthful



Unless your skin is excessively oily, says Movie Star Teresa Wright, it should be creamed twice a day. After creaming apply an astringent.

By HELEN FOLLETT

RARE indeed is the complexion, no matter how lovely, that is sufficient unto itself. It needs more than cleanliness to keep it in a state of freshness. The outgoing years are not going to help you. Nobody knows how long the youthful appearing skin will stay in form.

It has much to combat—dry air, sudden changes in weather, atmospheric dust that can destroy the delicate cutaneous surface as it destroys fine fibers. It can be affected by the condition of the health. Soaps that are not strictly bland can clog the pores. Women who reduce too rapidly can put wrinkles in their faces.

You can't give the complexion too much attention, too much petting. Beside a soapy scrubbing at bedtime, a cold rinsing in the morning, it needs an abundance of cream unless the skin is excessively oily, in which event it responds to ice frictions and astringents. Light massage is beneficial in all cases. It strengthens the underlying fibres, keeps tissues firm. The outgoing years are not going to help you. Nobody knows how long the youthful appearing skin will stay in form.

Whatever health measures make for vitality and a sound nervous system will prove beneficial to the complexion. It is necessary to get plenty of sleep so that nature can make repairs, compensate for the wear, and tear of daily existence.

The balanced diet is recommended, as some ill of the skin are due to lack of certain food elements. You need meat, sea food, poultry, cheese, vegetables—especially green and dark cereals, fruit and pint of milk a day. And do not overlook the fact that you should drink plenty of water, especially if the skin is excessively dry.

TRY CINNAMON BUNS

"CHEF," we've been talking about the usefulness of having a wide repertoire of soups. I think it would also be useful to the homemaker to learn how to prepare a wider variety of vegetables, especially when they are in season, and as you say, "inside the budget."

Agreed, Madame. For example, there's a celery root or celeriac, which I see in the markets. It is easy to peel, scrape, then you must boil it or pressure-cook at 15 lbs. for 2 min. Then you can mash it and season like mashed potato. Or it can be diced, and sautéed. Or it is good creamed. Or it may be diced, and used as a salad with seasoning of chopped onion and parsley.

Dinner
Cream of Broccoli Soup
Broiled Fillet of Flounder
"Sea Shells" in Tomato Sauce
Mixed Vegetables
Philadelphia Cinnamon Buns
Coffee or Tea (Milk) (Children)

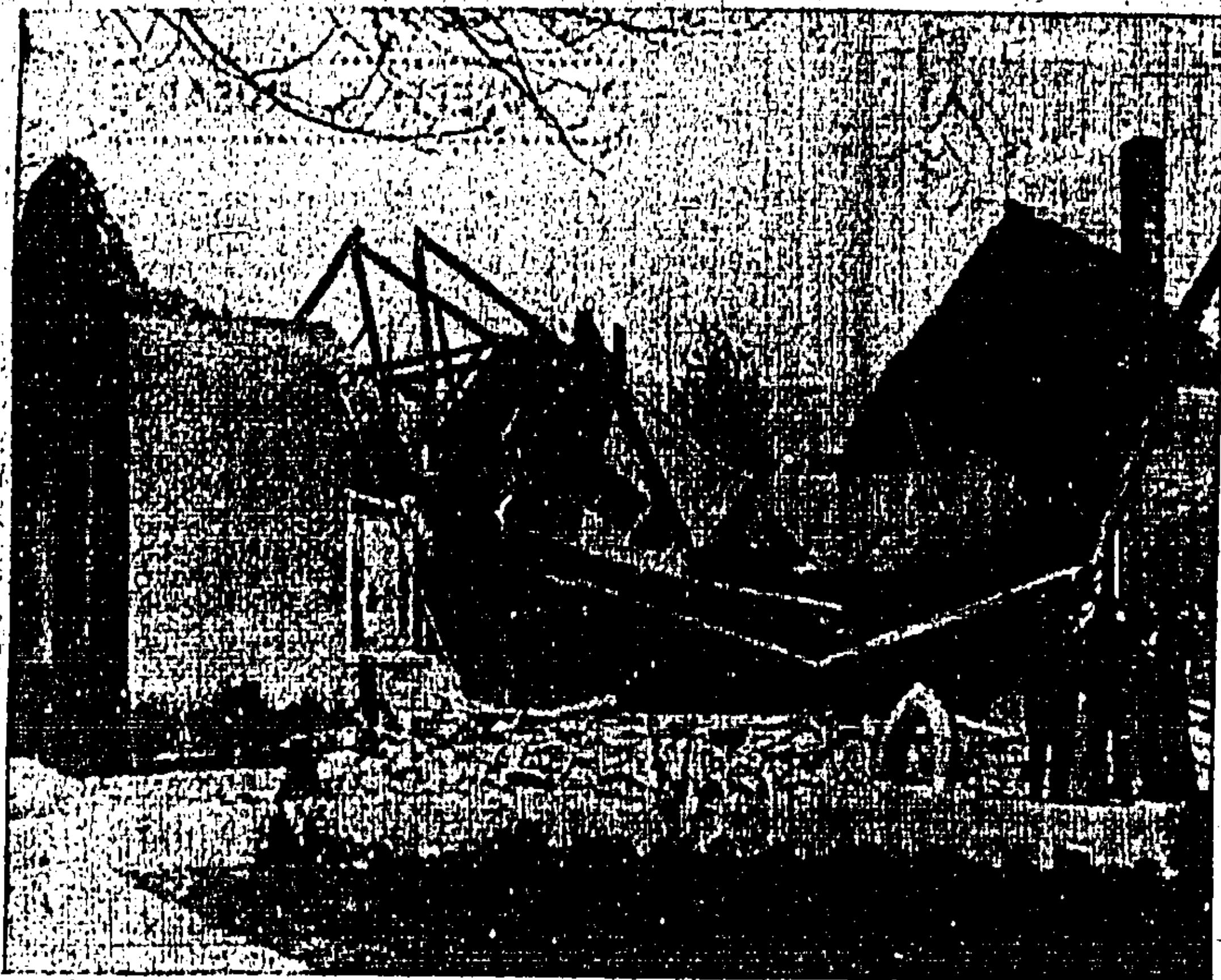
All Measurements are Level Recipes Serves Four

Broiled Fillet of Flounder
Rub a medium-sized pan with a cut section of garlic. Then oil plentifully with margarine or shortening. In this arrange 1 lb. fillets of flounder cut into 4 portions; dust with salt and pepper, squeeze over the juice 1/2 lemon, and dot with 1 tsp. butter or margarine. Add 1 tsp. hot water to the pan. Slide it into a preheated broiler, 3" to 4" heat. Broil about 10 min., or until golden brown. Remove to a heated platter. Serve with "Sea Shells" in tomato sauce.

Savoury Roast Veal
Order a small roast of veal cut from the leg, or use breast of veal. If using the latter, the bones should be cracked, and it should be spread with herb stuffing, rolled and tied with white string for cooking. In either case, make a dozen incisions with a sharp knife about 1/2" deep, and press into the tomato sauce, a little garlic salt, 1/2 tsp. oregano and 1 tsp. butter or margarine, then reheat.

Cinnamon Buns
Sift together 2 c. flour, 4 tsp. baking powder and 1/2 tsp. salt. Add 3 tsp. shortening or lard and chop in with a pastry blender until the mixture looks like meal. Stir in 1/4 c. raisins. Beat 1 egg and add 1/4 c. milk. Stir into the flour mixture and beat until a slightly floury water containing 1 tsp. best extract, 1/2 tsp. salt, a second time roll into an oblong shape 1/2" thick. Spread to within 1/2" of the edge with 1 tsp. each of butter and brown sugar. Bake in a 350° F. oven for 20 min. Cut into 12 buns. Dust with 1 tsp. brown gravy.

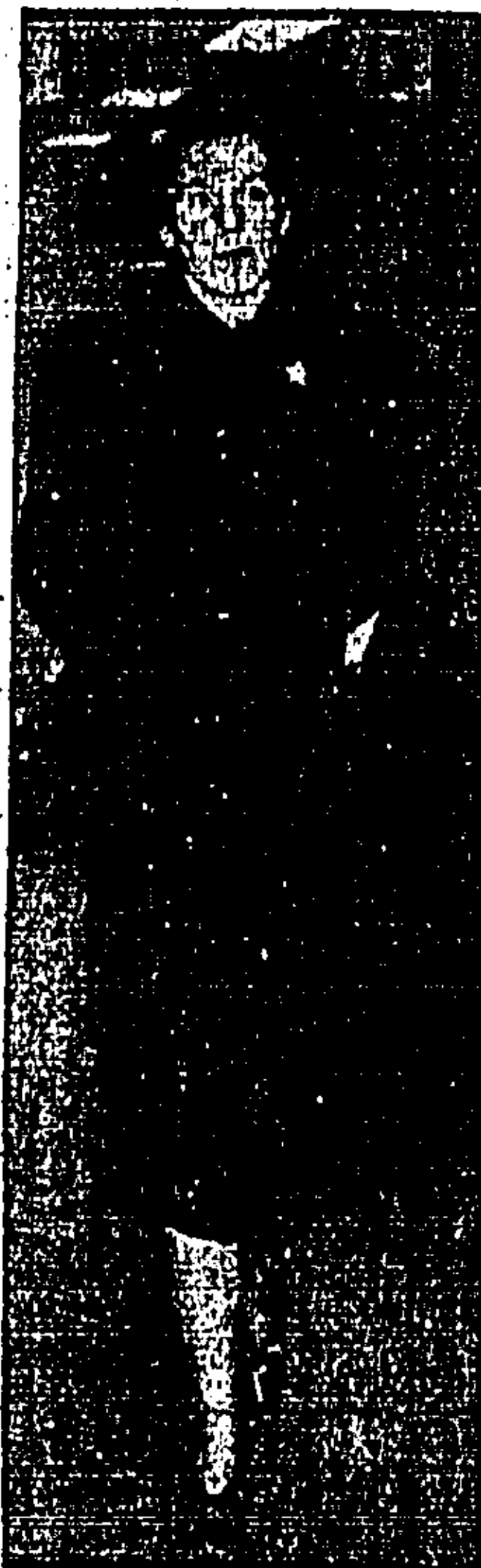
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



CAVE-IN—Five workers escaped death in Rising Sun, Indiana, when the Baptist Church collapsed while they were working beneath it. Floor beams supported the debris enough to enable the men to crawl to safety.



WOMEN'S WRATH—Ruth McDavid, left, of Tampa, Florida, and Leta Espenshade, of Abilene, Kansas, find the government department store closed in Arlington Farms, Virginia. The girl government workers threatened to leave their jobs if low-cost dormitories were closed.



COUNTESS ARRIVES—Arriving at New York from Stockholm is Countess Folke Bernadotte, American-born wife of the Palestinian mediator who was slain last summer in the Holy land.



ONLY CHILDREN INTERESTED—German youngsters wave to American soldiers rumbling by in a tank during extensive war exercises in the Nurnberg area. Popular with children, the activities of the 70,000 soldiers engaged got scant attention from German farmers and woodsmen.



FATAL CRASH—The pilot suffered fatal injuries when this plane crashed into a new home, just sold but not occupied, in Sacramento, California. The nose of the plane landed in the attic, but the engine dropped through to the floor.



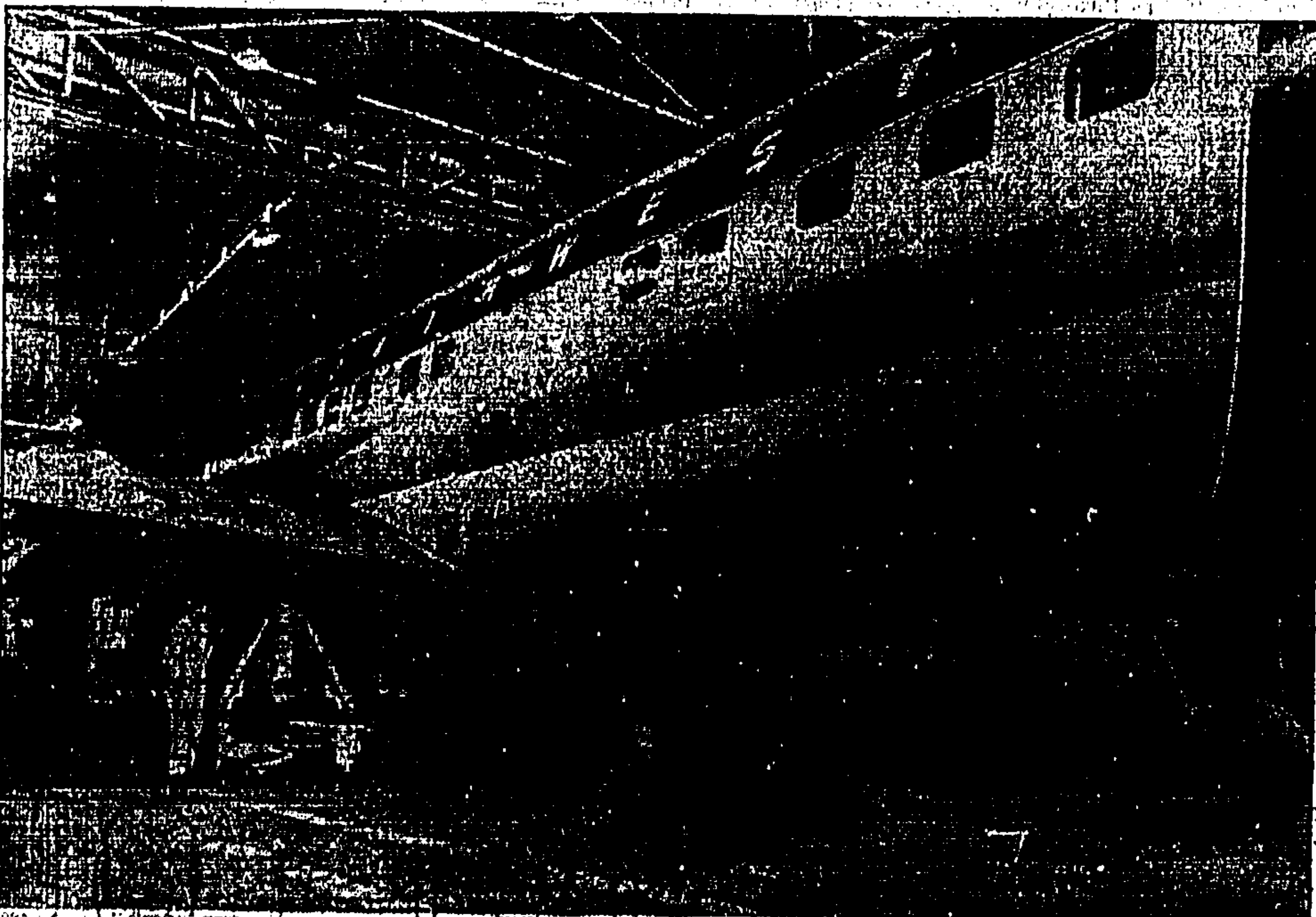
THAT SOUTH AMERICAN WAY—The little man under the big top, is Eric Ross of the Bronx, New York. The gay caballero arrived at LaGuardia Airport after a three-month trip to South America.



GOOD RED BLOOD—Chief Crazy Bull, grandson of the famous Sioux Indian Chief, Sitting Bull, shakes hands with Richard Cavanaugh, after giving blood at a blood bank in New York.



TO HAVE AMERICAN CHILD—Soo Hoo Lee Munn, of Boston, embraces his wife on arrival at Logan Airport. The pregnant Chinese bride of one year travelled 10,000 miles from Hongkong via London, to bear her baby in the United States, as an American citizen. Soo visited his native land, and was married, last April.



WEIGHING IN—This 71-ton Stratocruiser is being weighed simultaneously on three scales in a large hangar in Seattle, Washington. Jacked up from a scale under each wing root and one just aft of the nose wheel, the wheels are a scant inch off the factory floor. Engineers, at right, are measuring the longitudinal incline of the plane.

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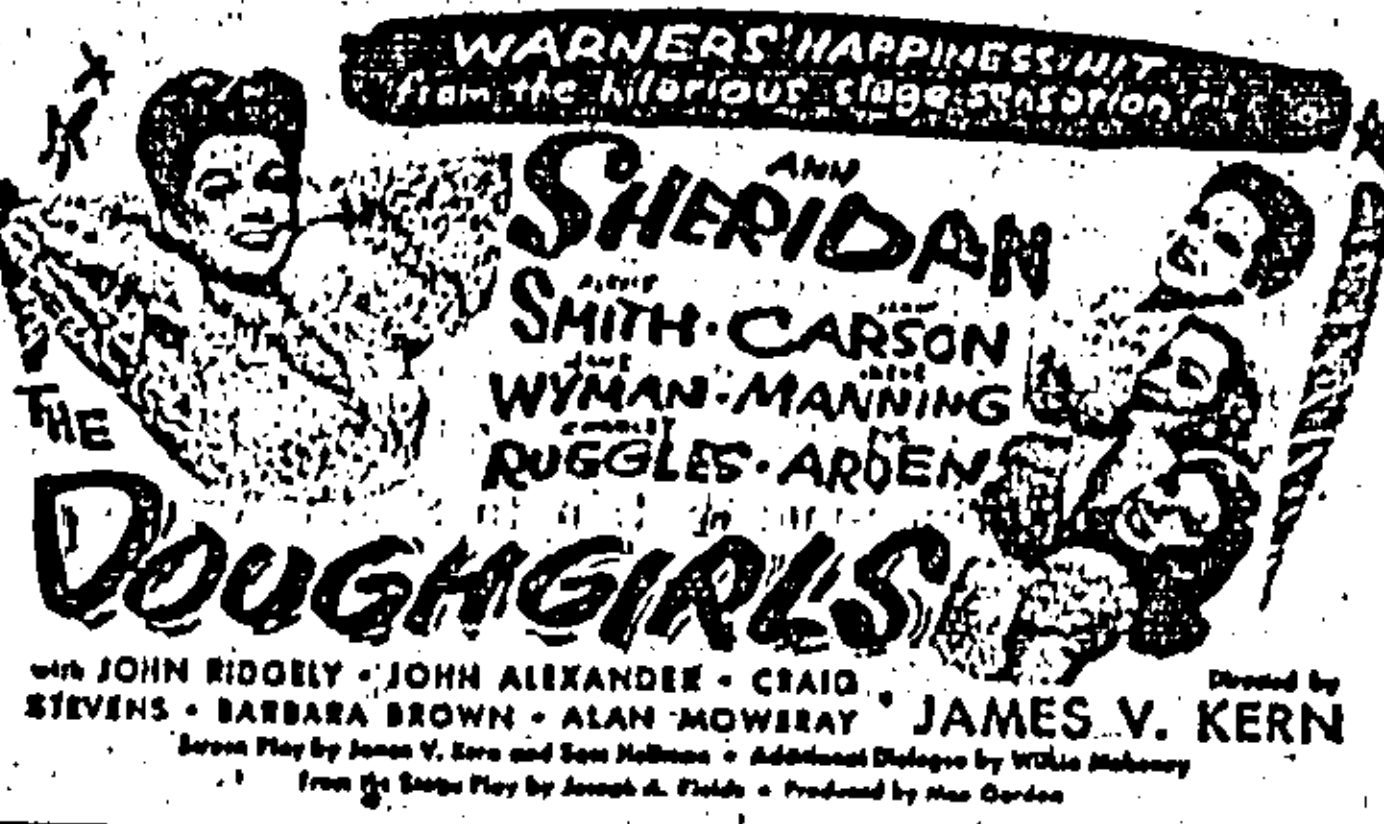
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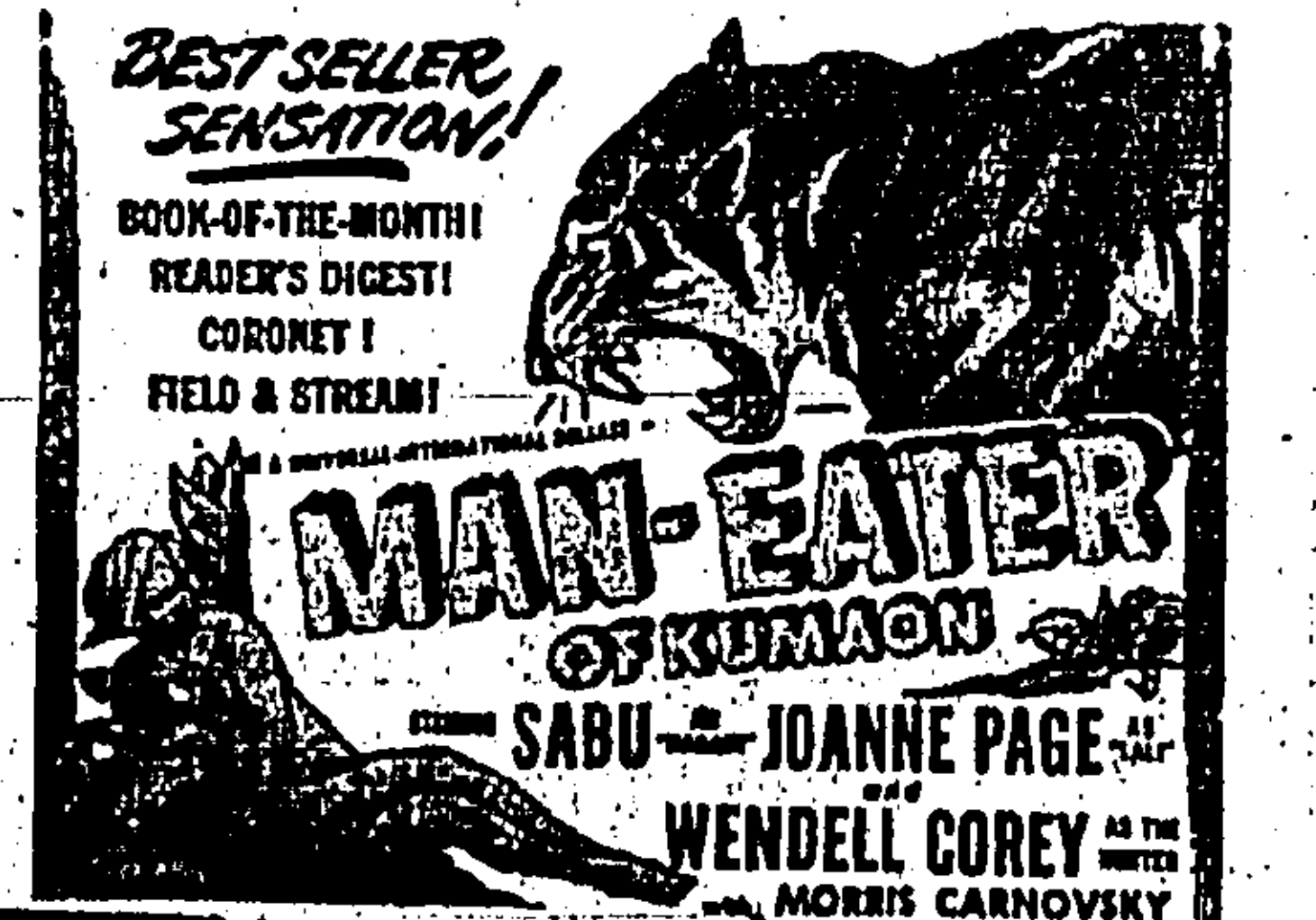


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I WANT THAT DOVE TO TRY AGAIN

I HAVE been watching the Congress of Partisans for Peace, this immense gathering in the great Concert Hall of Paris, before Hitler made a pact with Stalin that allowed German and Japanese fascism to sweep across the world many believed that Communism and the Soviet Union were experiments, noble experiments even, in creating a better future world.

Many believed, in those days, that the way of Communism was the way to peace. But now, I am here in Paris seeing the international machinery of Communism at work.

I want to describe to you what I see. There are two things to see. One is the Congress that is before my eyes. The other is in my mind—in my brain I can hear and see a real and great peace-congress of all the world dedicated to giving life, bread for our mouths and thoughts for our brains, to all the people of the world. And peace would be sure; the Atom bomb would be dismantled; the radio stations would play music, not stir up hatred.

Not so beautiful.

BUT we are in the Salle Pleyel. In my hand is a card. On it is a dove of Peace drawn by Pablo Picasso, Spanish born painter, one of the greatest of our age. But the crowd running here and there is not so beautiful as Picasso's dove. In my other hand I have a list of the people all over the world who support the Congress.

The paper tells me that these names represent almost half the population of the world. This is not true. It is the first big lie. You remember the Goebbels motto was, "Tell big lies and someone will believe you." Two men represent the millions of Japan. One woman, she is friendly and happy, adds up to half the millions of Holland. China is added, (400 millions) because the Communist students of Paris are here.

But I do not want to tell you about the big lies. I am walking up the stairs to the second floor, and something in the air—perhaps the concentrated manner of two women talking in a language I do not understand—reminds me of the first meeting of the United Nations. I remember two journalists climbed to the top floor to look down on Mr. Bevin, Mr. Molotov, and Mr. Jimmy Byrnes.

By DAVID TEMPLE ROBERTS

(then the U.S. Secretary of State) sitting side by side listening to our British Prime Minister welcoming to London the Conference that gave the real hope of peace.

I walked into the press gallery, far below was a platform. There were microphones, bright lights, a man was talking. He was dressed in an American suit; he wore the worried look, the smooth cream shirt, the bright tie and the gold edged spectacles of the American business man.

American's words

AND he cursed his country. These were Donald Henderson's words. "The U.S. has become the battle headquarters of world reaction. In the Government of the U.S. all the ways and tricks are used to confuse and deceive and turn the American people into a fighting force for the conquest of the democratic world." These were the words of an American citizen. He will return to his country, where he is secretary of one of the smallest branches of the great American Union organizations, (C. I. O.)

I want to ask you if any citizen of Russia, or of the countries of Eastern Europe, could take a train or a ship abroad, say such things about his own country. "The U.S. has become the battle headquarters of world reaction. In the Government of the U.S. all the ways and tricks are used to confuse and deceive and turn the American people into a fighting force for the conquest of the democratic world." I ask you that. And notice that Mr. Henderson—this American—had just said about his own country: "Never in history has a people suffered from such a campaign of filthy slanders, scandalous tales and outright lies as the American people are hearing to make them anti-Soviet."

Is this peace?

NOW we have listened to Mr. Henderson, there is clapping, someone translates. Then a Bulgarian rises; he is dark and massive. He says his small country wants peace. Here are facts, Bulgaria has three frontiers; on two of these frontiers she is at war, or threatening war. She sends arms to fight Greece. Her leader, Dimitroff, is waging a warlike words a battle against her Communist neighbour, Marshal Tito, of Yugoslavia. Bulgaria was an ally of Hitler; she occupied Greece with Hitler; she occupied with barbarous cruelty a part of Greece; she is still claiming the same part of Greece. That is Bulgarian "Peace".

Then we listened to a charming English girl in a simple dress, who spoke quietly into the microphone (it was look down on Mr. Bevin, Mr. Molotov, and Mr. Jimmy Byrnes, shouting). She told us that she

and her young friends in England want peace. Oh, but that is so true. But she said that the British were planning war. Is it true that British ships fired first on the Chinese people along the Yangtze River. Is it true that the British are "imperialistically dominating the world," at the same time that we give liberty to 350 million people of India, Pakistan and Ceylon—and those people stay our friends. The Young English Miss in the big smoke-filled building hall of Paris, where the international circus of Communism has put on its floor show—the Cabaret de Paris Rouge—had forgotten many things. Peace to her was something that flies with the Red Army. Ask the people of Berlin, Vienna and Budapest: if the bird that flies with the Red Army is tender and peaceful like a dove.

But here I am standing in the gallery. We are all bored; the journalists are bored; the delegates are bored; even the Communists are bored. Every one rises to speak, is clapped, is photographed. He denounces America; he is for peace; he hates Fascism; he admires the "forces of democracy" represented by the Communist leaders of the world that sit yawning before him.

This is a Peace Congress that I dream of.

(London Express Service)

Britain (SO U.S.A.) booming

By FREDERICK COOK

YOU may not realise it, but England is not at all the drab and gloomy sort of place you are sometimes tempted to think. In America, we see an entirely different England. According to the travel advertising, and the flood of articles in the newspapers, Britain is already practically back in the Merrie England days.

Sunshine pours down non-stop on a colourful array of Beefeaters and Life Guards. Every antiquated cottage (damp though it may be to the tourist who lives in it) is a thing of beauty whose joy, if not guaranteed to last exactly for ever, will hold out, as long as the tourist is likely to be near.

Every stately home of England (empty though it may be since the claims for death duties came from the glorious past and a hint of a glorious future.

As for motoring—the stuff that makes cars go is only short of petrol. Call it gasoline—and, of course, pay for it in dollars—and, magically, supplies become unlimited.

The food? Well, after all, England—in the American view—was always visited in the old days, despite the food, not because of it.

Never has there been such a spate of glowing account of life in Britain as is now appearing in American newspapers and magazines. Travel advertising is

American in Domesday home

THIRTY-two-year-old Major T. Corrigan, of the U.S. Air Force HQ at Bushy Park, Middlesex, is envied by thousands of history-loving Americans, for he lives with his wife and two children in a building old enough to have been mentioned in Domesday Book.

His home is in one of the six flats in the Tudor Court, estate at ancient Hanworth Park once a dwelling of Henry VIII, when he hunted on Hounslow Heath.

Others who have lived or stayed there are Princess Mary—who resided at Hanworth Park in the 16th century—Anne Boleyn, Katherine Parr, Queen Elizabeth and Cardinal Wolsey.

HERO TO THE INDONESIANS

BY JOSEPH S. ROSAPPE

IN the Netherlands, Matthew Fox, youthful Hollywood movie magnate, is a public enemy, and the subject of more scathing propaganda than most Nazis received," says an article in Colliers Magazine.

The article, written by Bill Davidson, is a full-length sketch of the 38-year-old film executive who has already provided US\$500,000 to the cause of Indonesian Republican efforts for independence.

"In Indonesia, Fox is a national hero, known universally to the population as 'Matti,'" says the article.

"Many American left wingers and conservatives (notably Westbrook Pegler, the newspaper columnist) claim that Fox merely wants to substitute Fox imperialism for Dutch imperialism, taking over the exploitation of the Indonesians for the personal enrichment of Fox.

"This also is the view of some State Department officials. However, others feel that Fox, who already has poured nearly US\$500,000 of his personal fortune into the venture, is a genuine idealist acting out of the part of financier of a non-Communist revolution."

FOX'S CAREER

The article describes the career of the Wisconsin-born executive, who took charge of Universal Pictures when it had an annual deficit of US\$2,000,000 a year and infused new life into the film so that it soon was making between US\$7,000,000 and US\$11,000,000 profit.

Fox's career in the War Production Board in Washington during the early part of the war, and his contacts with private who rose to major on the staff of General Eisenhower, is told in detail.

"Although he is still a director of Universal and owner of the largest film outfit in the business, Fox is currently pursuing a near full-time career as the Lafayette of Indonesia. This is what he is called by R. Soedjatmoko, an Indonesian delegate to the United Nations.

"For the past year, because the Dutch blockade has cut off the Indonesian Republic from the sources of its wealth, Fox's money advances have been paying the expenses of the Indonesian delegation in Paris and the United States.

"He is fifty-five partner with the Indonesian government in an official agency called the American-Indonesian Corporation, through which the Indonesian Economics Ministry will buy American products for government need after the Dutch blockade is lifted."

RICHEST AREA

The article tells how Fox, who "at that time didn't know an Indonesian from an Indian," learned about Indonesia from Dr Soemilro Djodjosoedarmo, the Republic's trade plenipotentiary to the United States.

"Dr Soemilro told Fox that during 350 years of Dutch colonialism in Indonesia, the richest raw material in the world, developed one of the world's highest illiteracy rates (84 percent), and one of the lowest standards of living for the natives.

"He convinced Fox that this was a fight for freedom like the American revolution, the Indonesian constitution was patterned after the American constitution, and that the Republic wanted to tie its economy to the United States and shake off the Dutch cartel monopoly."

Davidson's article discusses in general the Republic, which is described as "one of the most controversial trade pacts ever signed."

TWOFOOLD FUNCTION

The article says that the corporation has a twofold function: "1. To try to interest American companies in setting up shop in Indonesia to tap the islands' fabulous resources; and,

"2. To sell Indonesian government-owned raw materials, and buy American products for the Indonesian government only."

"There is no attempt to regulate the trade of private enterprise, which is free to do as it pleases, outside the jurisdiction of the American-Indonesian Corporation."

"This corporation gets a five percent fee for all goods bought or sold in the United States for the government; and the government has complete veto power over Fox's contract negotiations for development projects in the island."

The article declares that "a large cross-section of U.S. industry, seeing an opportunity to get an American wedge into the hitherto-forbidden exclusively Dutch economic area, has quietly lined up behind Fox with millions of dollars in promised credits."—Associated Press.

By CUMMINGS



"I suppose, dear, you haven't noticed anything peculiar about that old Chinese bronze figure on the sideboard?"

NANCY

Witch Switch



Relations With China Is America's Big Problem

By VINCENT WILBER

Washington, May 12.—In seeking to decide its attitude toward the victorious Chinese Communists, the United States Government faces one of its most difficult political and economic questions of the post-war era.

With Communists in impending control of China's largest city of Shanghai, focal point of Chinese trade and business relations with the Occidental world, the problem of to what extent relations shall be maintained with the new regime becomes urgent.

One thing appears reasonably certain here: Whatever decision is made by the United States administration there will be those who feel it is the wrong one.

This is because United States expert opinion has long been and still remains split, between the interventionist school, which holds that a large part of China can still be salvaged for democracy if America is willing to expend the money and material, and an equally determined group headed by the United States Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, which believes further attempts to aid the Kuomintang government would be useless, but who still insist that it is the only Government with which they are at present prepared to deal.

Talks with State Department China experts on this subject are at present rather unproductive and have led many United States Congressmen and private citizens to the reluctant conclusion that the Department has still in fact no firm China policy, but is trying desperately to make one.

In this quest, the Department has been understandably hampered by the rapid march of military events in China, which have produced no firm situation on which decisions could intelligently be based, beyond the obvious fact that the Communists have been winning the war.

The result may well be that the preliminary "relations" of the United States Government and private business representatives with Mao Tse-tung and other Communist leaders will be determined by events and the exigencies of individual situations as they arise.

TO STAY BEHIND

As an example, it is pointed out that although the United States Ambassador, Mr. J. Leighton Stuart, has been called home for "consultation," American Consular officers will presumably remain in China, as will many United States businessmen and missionaries.

The Communist disposition toward continued Chinese-American trade, their attitude toward American financial enterprises such as the Shanghai Power Company and related matters, is expected soon to become apparent to these men.

These attitudes in turn are expected to furnish valuable clues to both United States and European nationals as to what their future courses should be. Finally, the reciprocal "attitudes" of both sides may evolve into recognized Government "policies."

It is an accepted fact in the conduct of modern world affairs that there can be a considerable amount of trade, cultural and other intercourse between nations even in the absence of formal diplomatic recognition.

This was somewhat the case during the Japanese occupation of Manchuria, where United States Consuls remained and commercial relationships with America were maintained up to the time of Pearl Harbor, although the United States did not of course recognize the Japanese Government's sovereignty there.

Some experts here feel that given an amicable attitude on the part of the Chinese Communist Government, an arrangement of that type might ultimately evolve with Red China. However, if Communist officials should inaugurate an immediate "purge" of western business interests in China and ring down an iron curtain similar to that in Europe, this course could not come to pass.

MODUS VIVENDI

There is reason to believe that the United States officials most closely connected with Japanese occupational problems hope that some economic modus vivendi can be developed with the Chinese Communists, at least to the extent of making available raw materials for Japanese factories, otherwise some experts are dubious as to how Japan can survive as an even moderately industrialized nation.

However, from the Communist standpoint, a reluctance to supply the factories of a nation generally presumed to be the chief of the primary western belligerents against possible Soviet aggression would be understandable. But if Russian authorities should prove inadequate, the Communists might be forced to a western outlet.

The degree of Soviet Government collaboration with Mao Tse-tung has not yet become clear. Some experts think that Mao and his colleagues might resent too much Soviet "interference" in their affairs and reject it. Among Americans of this persuasion is Frederick Moore, a former American adviser to the prewar Japanese Government and a recognized Far Eastern expert.

In a recent magazine article, Moore emphasized that "Asia is too vast, too conglomerate a continent for any country to conquer or control."

His thesis was that if Russia attempted full-scale "consolidation" of China under native Communist auspices she would "bleed herself white."

However, he also said that continued full-scale United States intervention against Communism there could have the same result for America.

Whether the Communists have decided that a policy of maximum hostility to western powers in China will yield dividends enough in terms of "lost face" and embarrassment in Japan to make it worthwhile is as yet unknown.

The recent attacks on British warships in the Yangtze would appear to indicate they think it would. But these attacks may not have been authorized by the top command, or they may have been indicative of a shot policy not to be continued on a large scale.

Meanwhile, Communist successes should not obscure the fact that the Yangtze River there exists a natural mountain defence line behind which a large portion of China still remains free of Communist control.

It is the same area, roughly, which held out against Japanese conquerors during the four years of World War II. With strong American support, delivered quickly and unstintingly, some highly qualified experts here think this area can still be kept free. It is considered that there is less than an even chance that the administration will decide to make the attempt, despite strong Congressional sentiment in favour of it.—United Press.

OPERATION IS TELEVIEWED

London, May 12.—A school-boy chosen at random from the wards of Guy's Hospital helped to make medical history by becoming the subject of the first operation to be televised in Europe. The removal of his appendix was the first of a recorded television repertoire of 30 to 40 standard operations for post-training and international demonstration.

It was also the first time in the world that permanent television had been installed in an operating theatre. In a room far removed from the theatre, students were able to watch on the screen the whole process of the operation and to listen to a running commentary made by the surgeon himself.—Reuters.

North Atlantic Pact Approved

London, May 12.—The House of Commons, by 333 votes to six, tonight agreed in the Government motion approving the North Atlantic Pact.

Brussels, May 12.—The Belgian Senate—the Upper House—ratified the North Atlantic Pact by 127 votes to 13. All voting against were Communists.

The Bill for ratification was approved by the Chamber of Deputies earlier this month.—Reuters.

Burma Reunion

London, May 12.—Five thousand holders of the Burma Star have received tickets for a Burma reunion at the Royal Albert Hall on June 17.—Reuters.

Body Recovered

Bridlington, May 12.—Bridlington rescue workers have recovered the body of 15-year-old Eric Little of Huddersfield Road, Hull, who was killed when he fell over a 400-ton high crane.—Reuters.

Segregation Abolished By US Air Force

Washington, May 12.—Negro personnel will be distributed throughout the United States Air Force instead of serving in special units under a new policy approved today by the Defense Secretary, Mr. Louis Johnson.

Mr. Johnson said that he had received Army and Navy proposals along the same lines but had asked for "qualifying information" before making any decision on them.

Air Force officials said that under the new Air Force policy Negroes would be assigned on the basis of individual capacity. Some separate Negro units would remain in existence.

The Air Force has 21,026 Negro servicemen, including officers. This figure comprises seven percent of the Air Force strength.

Mr. Johnson added that Negro personnel throughout the Air Force would be screened by their respective Commands.—Reuters.

Something New In Way Of A Doctor's Bag

Washington, May 12.—Here's something new in doctor's bags: one in which frozen bone can be preserved and carried from one hospital to another for use in an operation.

Lieutenant G. W. Hyatt of the US Navy Medical Corps described it in discussing "Bone Banks" in hospitals, and methods of transporting such bone from place to place if necessary.

In "bone banks" now employed in various civilian hospitals, bone is removed from patients in an operation, sometimes taken from cadavers (corpses) is kept in special sterile jars and refrigerated at sub-zero temperatures in readiness for use as grafts. Such bone can be preserved for prolonged periods.

Lieut. Hyatt told a hospital staff conference at the Naval Medical Centre of a method developed in civilian practice for carrying bone on short trips. Pieces of frozen bone are taken out of the "bone bank" refrigerator in their special container—a sterile jar placed within the "withdrawing unit." It is then placed in a satchel-type fibreglass utility container developed by John H. Guenther of Westlaw, Pennsylvania.

The bone can then be carried to another hospital for deposit in a "bone bank" there, or for use in surgery.

If dry ice is placed in the satchel, the bone will be kept frozen for two to four hours; even without dry ice, the unit will preserve the bone with little loss in original temperature for between four and eight hours.

For longer trips, said Lieut. Hyatt, a special laboratory vessel containing dry ice is used. Tracing the development of bone refrigeration, Lieut. Hyatt said one doctor had once successfully used bone grafts that had been preserved for 308 days in an ordinary ice cream cabinet.—Associated Press.

SPITFIRES DUE TODAY

The 28th Spitfire Squadron of the RAF, which has been ordered to Hongkong from Singapore to bolster the Colony's air defence, is expected to arrive early this afternoon.

The Squadron consists of 10 aircraft, but one was damaged when it had to crash-land at Kuching, Sarawak. It is not known if this plane was repaired sufficiently to join the flight to Hongkong.

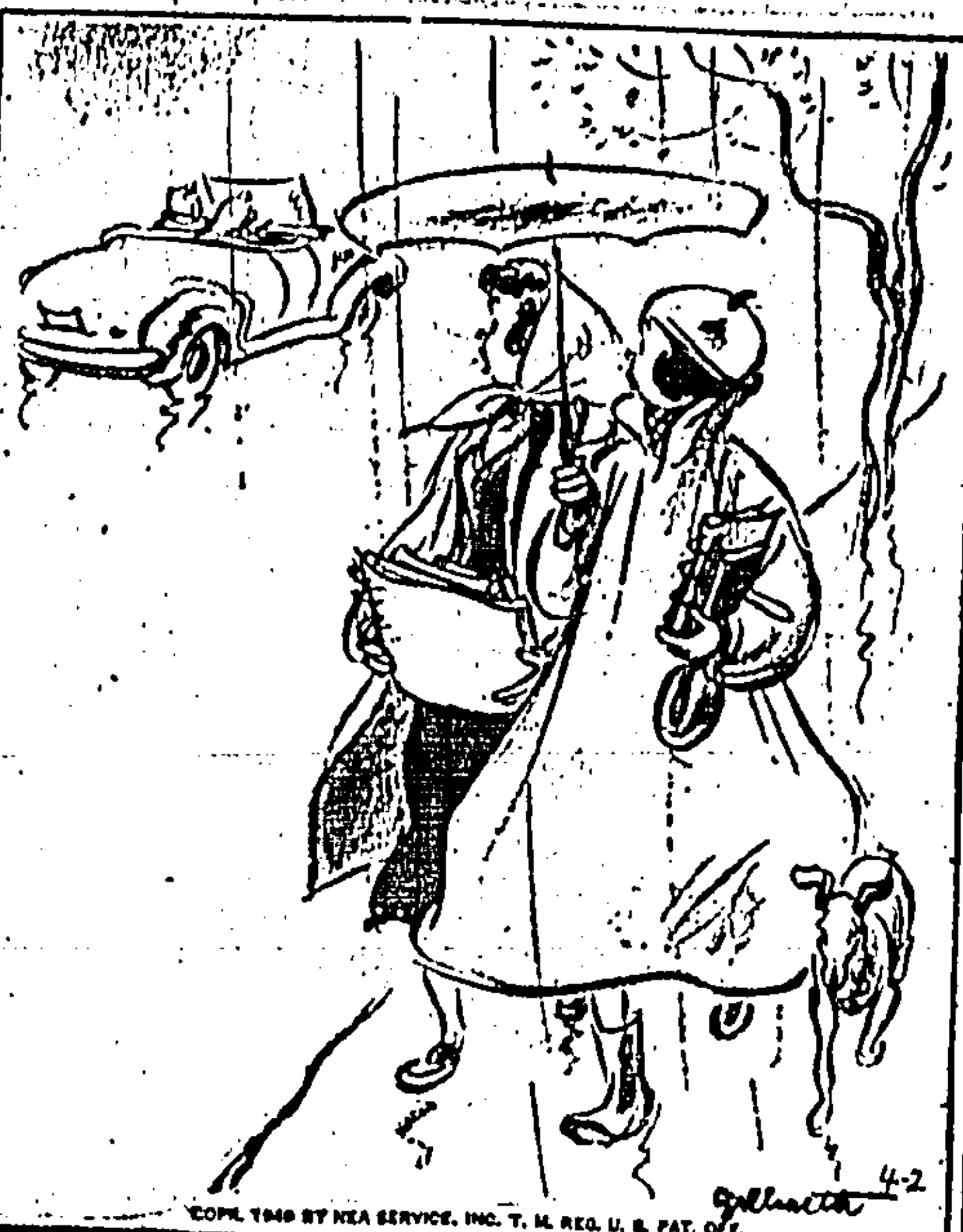
Belfast MP Dead

London, May 12.—Mr. J. W. Nixon, Member of Parliament for Woodvale Division, Belfast, for 20 years, has died. It was reported today.—Reuters.

Target Reached

London, May 12.—Farmers in Ulster are already reaching the food targets set by a five-year plan ending 1952. It is disclosed today.—Reuters.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"So many showers in April, I'd think twice before dating George with that open car—I'd ask him!"

Libyan Campaign Against British Administration

Protest Against Italian Colonies Agreement

Lake Success, May 12.—The National Council for the Liberation of Libya today announced in the UN General Assembly's Political Committee that a civil resistance campaign had been ordered from today against the British administration in Tripolitania.

Earlier, Soviet-Arab proposal to hear native groups on the sub-committee proposal on disposal of the former Italian colonies was adopted by the Political Committee.

The vote was 23-15, with 17 abstentions. Hearings began immediately, with the p. aspect that they would take most of the day to complete.

Theoretically, the native groups could delay the decision on the colonies beyond the target date of May 14 set for termination of the Assembly session. No time limit has been set on their statements.

The Liberation Council representative was the first to speak after the Committee's decision to hear native representatives on the new British draft resolution adopted by the sub-committee yesterday. He announced that he had received a telegram from Tripolitania declaring: "Britain has abandoned the Tripolitania in the last hour. The Tripolitania have decided from today not to co-operate with the British administration in Tripolitania in any matter. Tripolitania declares civil resistance to the British administration."

The Libyan representative said the sub-committee proposal was "dangerous and unjust." He warned that under no conditions would the natives accept a return of Italian rule.

"We Libyans will never forget the sacrifices we had to endure through 30 years' unjust Italian rule in our country. Libyans are determined to resist by every means in their power this attempt to re-establish the Italian regime over Tripolitania."

He pointed out that as soon as the "Bivini-Sforza" proposal became known, demonstrations took place in Tripolitania.

Representatives of the Somali Youth League and Somaliland Conference issued brief and contradictory statements. Both claimed to represent the majority of the population of Somaliland. The first warned that the population "would prefer total extermination rather than Italian rule" and the second urged Italian trusteeship "for at least 30 years."

Mr. Aubrey Eban, of Israel, delivering his first speech since Israel's admission to the United Nations yesterday, told the Committee that Israel would abstain because it had not had time to study the problem of the colonies.

He said, however, in view of its own experience, Israel would favour independence for the former colonies and, therefore, any proposal which would lead to this end. "To establish trusteeship is to swim against the stream," he said. He added that Israel opposed British trusteeship over Cyrenaica because it believed

Troops To Guard Burma's Rice Fields

Gov't's Efforts To Bring In Crop

Rangoon, May 12.—Troops, augmented by village levies, are preparing to mount guard over 9,000,000 acres of rice land the Burmese government hopes to cultivate this year. It was announced here officially.

The planting of the 1949-50 crop will begin this month with the beginning of the monsoon. The troops and levies are required to protect farmers against hostile forces, including bandits, whose activities have already uprooted planting programmes under which it was hoped to place 12,000,000 acres under the plough.

Before the war, 12,500,000 acres of land were tilled annually. This enabled Burma to produce an exportable surplus of 3,500,000 tons of rice and become the greatest rice-producing country in the world.

Approximately two-thirds of Burma's 17,000,000 population are farmers.

Before the war they grew enough rice to bring in annual revenue totalling nearly Rupees 25 crores.

Burmese economy, primarily dependent upon rice, was shattered during 1941-45 when two major campaigns were fought over the country. Her rich rice-lands, most of them in the fertile Irrawaddy delta, became shell-torn battlefields. Much of the land returned to the jungle.

Burma's recovery programme after the war was focused largely upon the rehabilitation of these rice-lands. Under carefully worked out plans, the jungle began to be beaten back.

The world food shortage, with its demand for rice, presented to the Burmese an opportunity of recovery. Experts estimated that normal conditions would have set their feet within three years.

But independence on January 4, 1948, brought chaos instead of prosperity.

Thirteen months of internal strife dealt a mortal blow to Burma's recovery plan. Rice-lands were devastated, mills and warehouses burnt down, stocks looted or destroyed.

Other stocks escaping the looters are rotting in hinterland storehouses. Disrupted communications prevent their shipment to ports for export.

Burmese editors compiling a "balance sheet" on the rebellion place the value of looted rice at Rs10,216,000.

Revenue lost through unrealized export of rice and timber is estimated at Rs30,000,000. Despite governmental efforts to check the rebellion, rebel strength appears to be increasing instead of decreasing.

The fiercest battles are being fought over territory overlooking into the rice bowl area of South Burma.—Associated Press.

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SHANGHAI AIR RAID DRILL

Shanghai, May 12.—An air raid drill is scheduled to take place on May 15 for the purpose of acquainting the population with the difference between precautionary signals and the urgent warning, according to an announcement today. All government organizations were notified, and the people advised to take note of various signals.

So far as is known, the Communists have no aeroplanes operating on any front south of the Yangtze, but they have been reported at various times to have a few aircraft. The possibility of Communist air operations is considered negligible.—United Press.

US Commander Found Shot

San Francisco, May 12.—Commander Everett Righbee, Jr., 41, commander of the aircraft carrier USS Antietam, was found dead of a gunshot wound in the cabin today.

A naval inquiry into the accident began immediately.—United Press.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.01, Light Variety introducing New Records: 6.20, A Talk: Fleet Street. 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FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

LESSON HAND

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE
Repeating No Trump
Bid May Prove Bad

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BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

UNDOUBTEDLY many of you have read or been told that you should not support your partner on the first round of bidding with less than four of his suit. That generally is a sound policy. However, I think that too many players bid no trump and then bid it again on the second round.

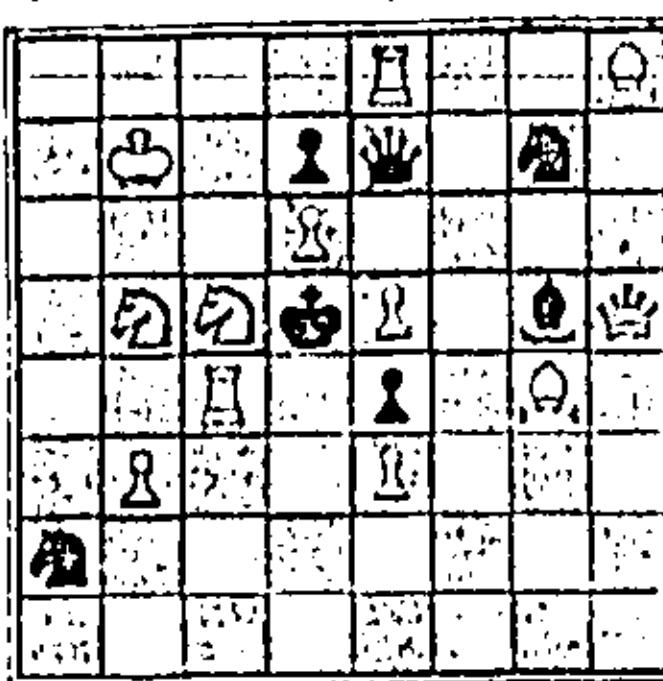
In today's hand, for example, South has a sound one spade bid. When West passes, North may bid either one no trump or two spades. He cannot bid two clubs, because you cannot bid a new suit in the two zone unless you have a trick and a half. With North's hand most of the better players would respond with two spades, but the bid of one no trump would not be too severely criticized.

Supposing that North does bid one no trump and South then bids two diamonds, North should not bid two no trump. His partner has told him that all of his strength lies in two suits, spades and diamonds. He has asked North to try to support one or the other of those two suits. If North now bids two no trump, South cannot tell whether he has a weak hand or a strong one, and with the type of hand that South holds, he feels that he has to bid three no trump.

All that North has to do to keep the hand out of trouble is to bid two spades over two diamonds. This gives South the whole picture. It tells him that North has a weak hand, that he does not have four spades, but prefers that the hand be played at spades rather than diamonds, and that North is not interested in going to game.

CHESS PROBLEM

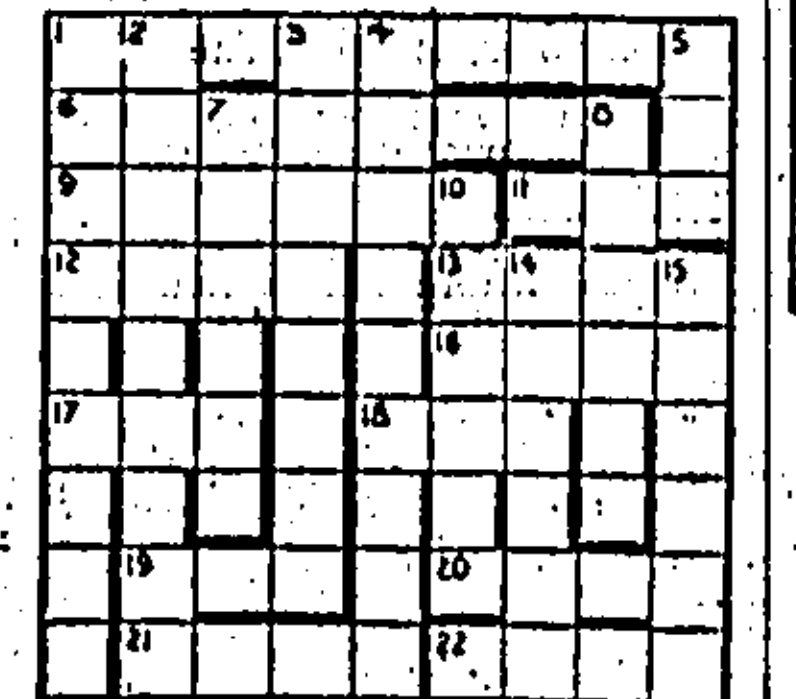
By A. PIATESI
(UCF Tourney 57)
Black: 7 pieces



White, 12 pieces.
White to play and mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt-K2; 2. BxP, B-K4; 3. K-K5 (X); 4. K-K5 (X); 5. K-K5 (X); 6. K-K5 (X); 7. K-K5 (X); 8. K-K5 (X); 9. K-K5 (X); 10. K-K5 (X); 11. K-K5 (X); 12. K-K5 (X).

CROSSWORD



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DUMB BELLS

THIS IS ONE OF THOSE FOREIGN RADIOS
CAN IT SPEAK ENGLISH?



Check Your Knowledge

1. What is the plural of Madam?
2. Who was the "Sage of China"?
3. What is the origin of the English pointer dog?
4. What are capillaries in the human body?
5. Name the author of the "Vicar of Wakefield".
6. What is the occupation of a collier?

(Answers in Column 6)

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Christopher's Guitar Practice

—He Had to Do It Late at Night—

By MAX TRELL

"WELL," said Christopher, the shadow-child, with the turned-about names, "it was a fine clear night last night, with the moon shining with a big white face. Almost all the snow was off the ground because, as everyone knows, the winter is nearly over and spring is about to begin. So I decided to take my guitar and practice singing some songs."

"Oh," said Knarf in surprise, "do crickets have to practise, too?" Knarf was thinking of the children who had to practise on the piano and the violin. "Indeed they do," replied Christopher. "Everyone who plays music or sings songs has to practise. I like to make sure that I know all my songs perfectly well so that when I finally start singing them in the Spring Time, everyone who hears them will say: 'What a fine song Christopher is singing! And just listen to how beautifully he is singing it!'"

And no one," continued Christopher, "not even a cricket can sing a song beautifully, or play a guitar without making any mistakes unless he practises."

"Where did you go to practise?" asked Knarf.

"That's just it, my dear," answered Christopher. "I had to find a place where I could be alone. I don't like to disturb anyone when I am practising. And it wasn't easy to find such a place. At first I thought of the garden wall. But then I remembered that I might disturb the moles and the chipmunks. Then I thought of the old oak tree. But that wasn't any good either because Sparrow and Squirrel lived there. Finally, after quite a while, I thought of just the right place."

Christopher Crickled chuckled. "Way down near the edge of the pond is an old hollow log, half covered with dead branches. It was far away from everywhere. That was the place I thought of for my practising. So there I went, as quietly as can be with my music-stand under my arm, and my guitar slung over my shoulder, on a strap."

"And did you practise all alone?" Knarf wanted to know.

"Chirped With Laughter," Christopher was silent. Then he chirped with laughter. "It was quite dark when I reached the hollow log," he said. "I set up my music-stand where a little bit of moonlight fell on it. Then I tuned up my guitar and was just singing the first note of my first song when to my astonishment, I heard voices all around me. I stopped at once and listened; other people were also practising!"

"My goodness!" exclaimed Knarf. "Who else was there?"

"Oh no! There were Mr. Frog, sitting on the other side of the log, Mrs. Whip-Poor-Will, standing on top of the log, and Miss Katy-Did, standing under the log, each one practising a different song. You never heard so much noise! But, added Christopher, "we soon settled everything. We all gathered around my music-stand and all of us practised the same song together. It really made quite pretty music. Although I do hope we didn't disturb anyone."

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Hero Worshipers

By Harry F. O'Neill

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UNUSUAL ANGLES

BROKE, BUT IS HAPPY

AS A MILLIONAIRE

By CLAIRE COX

NOW that Earl Kerkam is broke most of the time, he is as happy as a millionaire. Kerkam was on the road to becoming a millionaire 20 years ago, and was the envy of his Philadelphia neighbours, but somehow, the richer he got the unhappier he became.

He gave up his family, a career in the poster business, a big house, two cars, a chauffeur and a full dress suit he never had time to wear, to become a poor artist and live in garrets where he could paint and hum tunes to his heart's content without getting on anyone's nerves.

Now, at 54, he's becoming well known—but not rich—as a follower of the Cezanne school of French painting. An artist doesn't pile up a bank account when he has to hire models, buy paints and frames and pay US\$50 a month for a shabby, three-room suite over a public garage.

Most of the time Kerkam uses himself as a model, and he reckons he's based 1,000 paintings on his own stocky frame.

Kerkam has only one suit. He says a fellow can only wear one at a time, so why have more, he does a paint-spattered pair of overalls when he works, which is most of the time. Ex-

cept for paintings, painting materials and a broken mirror on a peeling wall, the only furnishings in his mid-town Manhattan abode in New York are a table littered with paintbrushes, a straight chair draped with shirts and a vest, and a battered bed covered with a faded spread.

He has no radio, no telephone and no clocks. Time does not exist in his happy world. He works well into the night, sleeps as long as he can and eats whenever he gets hungry.

"I'm very happy," Kerkam said. "The average man works all his life so he can have a hobby. He's crazy. I turned my hobby into my life work. When I did commercial art, I always started with something that was pretty and finished with something that was just pretty. Now I paint life. I start with something ugly and make it beautiful."

His Paint Shop Kerkam started humming. He always hums when he isn't talking, even if other people are saying something to him.

He tugged at his necktie, which hung loosely at his throat. Over a blue shirt he wore a red plaid waist shirt, and over that was a work overcoat which he wears most of the time when he is in his chilly studio, which he calls a "paint shop."

Right now, Kerkam is holding his 22nd annual show at New York's Copart Restaurant, an arty place which tries to help struggling painters to sell their works. Some of Kerkam's paintings are in the collections of Billy Rose and Helena Rubinstein. His work has been included in the permanent collections of the Philadelphia Museum, Sir John Duveen and the Chicago Art Institute.

Somehow he doesn't manage to get much money for the pictures, but he doesn't really care.

"I don't want anyone to think I don't like money," he said. "I love it. But I'm not willing to do any disagreeable things for it. I wouldn't sell my happiness for any price.—United Press.

However, those who believe this do not know the depth of your tenacity to a single purpose; the ability you have of studying a problem, getting to the heart of it and then going about solving it with very little fuss and bother. In fact, the things done in a quiet, efficient way, is one of your greatest talents."

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BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

IF such savage blood sports as fishing are made illegal, the old controversy about the Kashmir beetles is sure to break out again.

These beetles were treated by Keating and other great hunters as small game, but they have recently been classified as big game and will have to be protected from feudal cruelty. All over Central and Eastern Europe, and even in Siberia, this question of cruelty without the excuse of "ideological" fervor, is sure to rouse great interest among mere human beings.

The Ministry report

COCKLECARROT said wearily that as far as he understood the case up to now everything was legal or illegal. It was legal or illegal to sell two pennyworth of mackerel-fish in a state of peace or in a state of war.

When the actual penwiper sold by Mrs. Buttercotech was produced in court, Cocklecarrot said it looked to him like a dirty bit of tin foil. The report of the Ministry experts was then read. The wiper had been submitted to analytical chemists for examination and had been found to contain zygonyl, peraldefax, kosovonol, polash, bellium, ambold solution, nitro-bromide and tetraglycerine.

Cocklecarrot: All very enlightening, but was the fish wholly, partly, or not at all processed?

Snapper: M'ud, the report says that question is within the terms of reference, and would be on for the Industrial Board or the Fish Processing Commission to pronounce upon, after consultation with the Penwipers Committee.

A slight alteration at the back of the court between a gaunt man bearing a placard which said: "Arbitrate, Don't Litigate!" and a fat woman who was shouting: "Down with Fascism!" drew a rebuke from Cocklecarrot. "Do you want to turn this court into a midget-house?" asked the judge. The voice that answered was Mrs. Buttercotech's. "That's bin done already," she cried, with a broad grin.

(London Express Service)

YOUR BIRTHDAY... BY STELLA

FRIDAY, MAY 13

BORN today, the stars were so smiling when they handed out their gifts to you. You have a rather retiring nature and do not make too many close friends. But your gifts are such that you are likely to command respect and receive fame at an early age. You seem to have things turn your way without any apparent struggle.

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TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Guard your health. Watch out for pitfalls in business, too. Caution is needed just now in everything.

GENIE (May 22-June 22)—A general restlessness leads to making unwise decisions, so postpone anything important until later on.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Don't let anxiety or worries confuse you. Nothing can be quite as bad as it seems today. Be patient.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Don't put anything in writing if you can help it, especially if it has anything to do with legal matters.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Be practical in your approach to any and all problems. Postpone signing important papers, too.

Indian Plan To Produce More Tea

Calcutta, May 12.—Governmental measures are being taken to step up the production of Indian tea, a high-ranking dollar earner. It is learned here.

The tea plan, according to a reliable report, is to boost Calcutta into top place as a tea auctioning centre, a position so far occupied by London.

It is pointed out that much tea, however, will have to be made up to fulfill this ambition. At present, of the 400,000,000 lbs. of tea exported annually from India, a mere 1,000,000 lbs. are auctioned in Calcutta.

The country's total production of tea is approximately 550,000,000 lbs. a year.—United Press.

Secret "Loan For Spain" Conference

US Allegation

Washington, May 12.—The liberal Democratic organization, "Americans for Democratic Action," said today that 20 Senators, American cotton men and a Spanish bank official, Mr. Francisco Moreno, met secretly on Tuesday to try to work out arrangements for a large loan to the Franco Government for the purchase of American cotton.

The organization said: Such a deal at this time would provide Russia with the political and economic weapons she needs to capture the initiative in western Europe.

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Big Increase In UK Exports To Pakistan

London, May 12.—Mr. John Edwards, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, said today that United Kingdom exports to Pakistan had increased substantially over the past year.

They had increased to over £2,000,000 in the first quarter of 1949, compared with under £2,000,000 for the corresponding period last year, he stated.

Mr. Edwards was replying in the House of Commons to a question whether the Board of Trade would take all reasonable steps to meet the recent request of Pakistan's Prime Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, for the supply of British goods and services.

These goods, the Pakistan Prime Minister had stated, were insufficient to fulfill the development programme planned in Pakistan.

Mr. Edwards added that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, had assured Pakistan's Finance Minister, Ghulam Mohammed, in July, 1948, that Britain would do her utmost to help develop Pakistan's economy within the limits possible.

The next regular economic discussion with Pakistan was due to begin in London this month.

Pakistan representatives could then raise any questions about the supply of goods and services from Britain, which she is experiencing difficulties, said Mr. Edwards.—Reuter.

Certain Indian tariff restrictions prevented the import of Indian cotton yarn into Burma since the war, U Hla Tun Phyu explained, and the delegation pleaded for the resumption of exports.

As a result of these talks, U Hla Tun Phyu said, India will soon resume the export of cotton yarn to Burma.

Burma was grateful for the allocations granted by the Indian Government, he added, but he would not elaborate. He said, however, that Burma's weavers could use 2,000 bales of cotton yarn, 10 tons of dyestuffs, and five tons of weaving accessories per month at the present stage.—United Press.

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INDONESIA IS GIVEN APPROVAL

Dutch Government States Attitude

The Hague, May 12.—The Dutch Government was fully prepared to accept the recent agreement between The Netherlands delegation in Indonesia and the Republican leaders, Mr. J. H. Van Maarseveen, the Minister for Overseas Territories, announced in the Dutch Second Chamber today.

The Minister was making a statement on the results of the Dutch-Republican Indonesia negotiations at Batavia, which were held under the auspices of the United Nations Commission for Indonesia.

The Minister said that goodwill and sincere intentions must now be the dominating factors for the future, and expressed satisfaction that the Federalist Convention in Indonesia had fully endorsed the agreement reached.

Freedom For News Reporting

Draft Convention Adopted

London, May 12.—The draft convention on news which was adopted by the Social Committee of the United Nations yesterday provides for access to news for all foreign correspondents and transmission facilities on the same basis as for nationalists employed in domestic agencies.

The convention, which was adopted by 27 votes to four, was supported by Britain, the United States, France and several Latin-American countries. The Soviet Union and other Eastern European countries opposed it. India, Saudi Arabia, Syria, China and Persia were among the 12 abstentions.

The main provisions of the convention are as follows:

(1) States shall expedite the freest possible movement of correspondents in getting into a country, living in it, travelling through or going out.

(2) Correspondents shall not be expelled on account of any "lawful exercise of their right to collect and report news."

(3) Access to news for all foreign correspondents, and transmission facilities will be on the same basis as for nationalists employed in domestic agencies.

(4) A contracting state may send a factual correction of an allegedly false or distorted report to the state where the report originated. The correction must be sent to the information agency or correspondent responsible but does not have to be published.

(5) Contracting states will "take measures" to prevent monopolistic practices in any form, whether open or concealed.

(6) The treaty will not automatically apply to correspondents in non-self-governing territories. It is up to the metropolitan power to extend the advantages of it as soon as possible.

(7) The provisions will not apply to specially accredited United Nations correspondents who otherwise—because of immigration laws—would not be allowed into the country.—Reuter.

Referring to a previous Government statement that the return of the Republican Government to Jogjakarta was "impossible," he explained that the Republican Government had not indicated its readiness to carry out the Security Council's request to end guerrilla warfare and co-operate with the Dutch for peace and order.

"There has been a great change in the Republican attitude on these points," Mr. Van Maarseveen added. "The Republic is now prepared to take its place in the United States of Indonesia, and the President and Vice-President have now promised to order the Republican military forces to stop the guerrilla warfare and co-operate in restoring peace and order."

"If the Republican leaders do not succeed in fulfilling the promises they have made, the Van Royen-Roem agreement will become null and void," the Minister said.

WELL RECEIVED

The agreement had been very well received abroad, especially in Asiatic States and in the United States, and he felt that "this international moral support, which has left a deep impression, will be a stimulus to all parties to implement it."

The Minister's statement made no reference to the resignation of the High Representative of the Crown, Dr. Louis Beel, which was handed in after the agreement was announced.

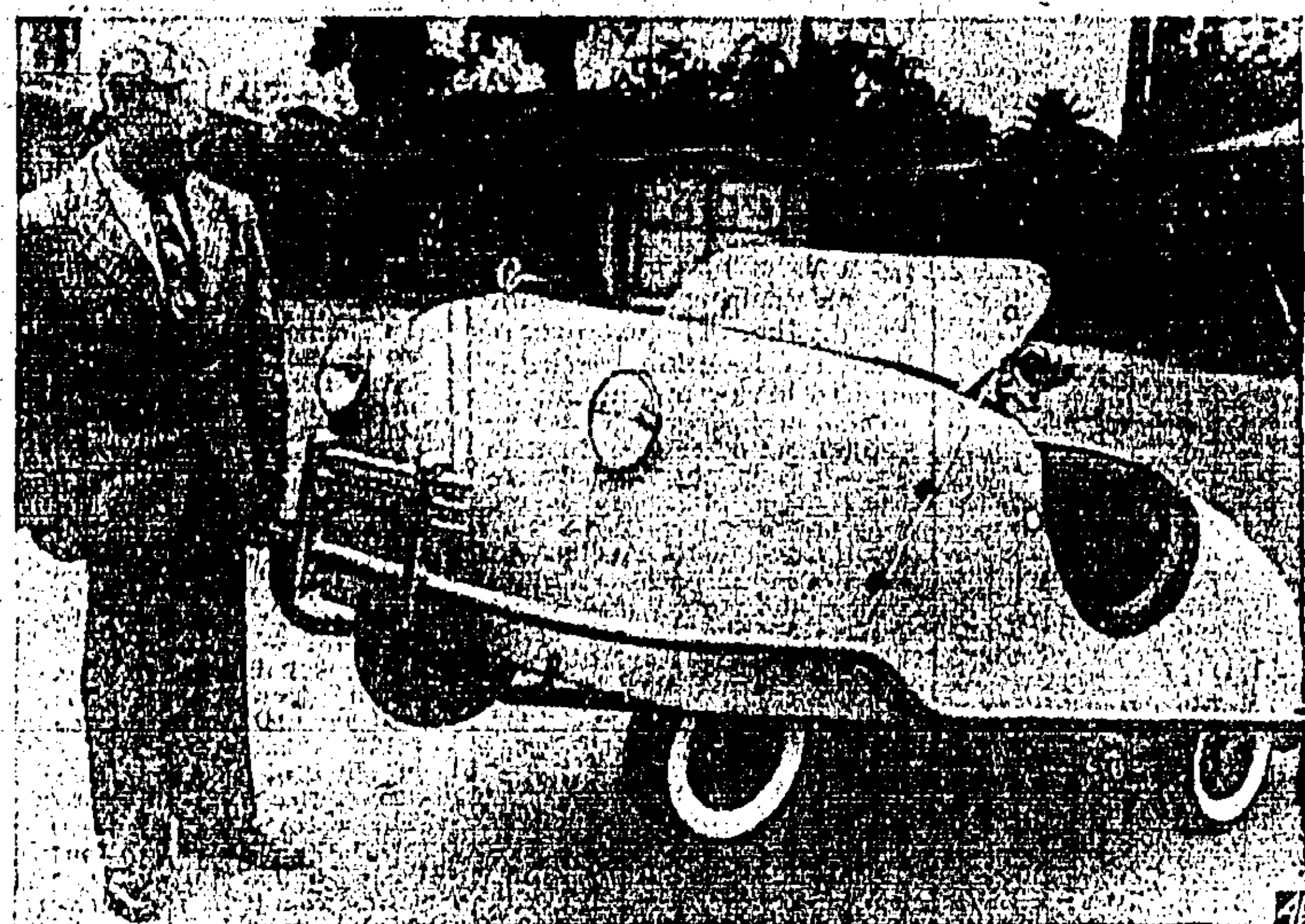
The Van Royen-Roem agreement was reached last week between Dr. Mohammed Roem, head of the Republican delegation, and Dr. Jan Herman Van Royen, Chairman of the Dutch delegation, at the talks in Batavia, which were held under the auspices of the United Nations Commission for Indonesia.

It provided for an end to military operations, the release of political prisoners held by the Dutch, the restoration of Republican authority in Jogjakarta, and the organisation of a round-table conference at The Hague to set up an independent Indonesian Federation.

After the Minister had finished his statement, the Chairman of the Chamber said that it would have been logical to begin a debate at once, but as the Crown Representative in Indonesia had resigned, the Chamber would obviously like to hear more about this new development.

Dr. Beel's letters to Queen Juliana had not yet arrived, so the Government could not comment at this stage.

The debate was postponed until May 17 to enable the Government to decide whether to make a further statement.—Reuter.



120 inches long, the "Imp," being readied for market at Glendale, Calif., will weigh only 475 pounds, travel at 35 miles an hour and sell for \$590.

Pandit Nehru To Visit America

INVITED BY PRES. TRUMAN

Washington, May 12.—The White House announced today that the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, had accepted an invitation to visit the United States and probably would arrive here in October.

The White House said President Truman first invited Mr. Nehru "about a year ago" but the Prime Minister was not able "to make a visit last year because of the pressure of official duties in India."

BURMA AID BEGINS

Rangoon, May 12.—Special aid machinery for Burma had already begun to function, according to indications here today, less than 24 hours after the announcement of the Commonwealth's willingness to aid Burma.

While the British, Indian and Pakistan Ambassadors continued consultations with U.E. Maung, Burma's Foreign Minister, "Sub-Committee" of secretaries and advisers of the three Embassies was reported to be in conference with General Ne Win, Deputy Prime Minister and Defence Minister, to "push the consideration of details a stage further."

Authoritative quarters said that the Sub-Committee had been in continuous session since its constitution last Friday. General public reaction here to the 88-word announcement was one of "subdued optimism" in anticipation of fuller details, competent observers declared. They added that the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin's House of Commons statement yesterday was particularly acclaimed as "throwing further light on a somewhat reticent announcement."

The few newspapers which appeared today—yesterday was a Buddhist holiday—carried only the bare announcement, possibly because of its late release.—Reuter.

BRIDESMAID'S ENGAGEMENT

London, May 12.—Lady Elizabeth Lambert, who was one of the bridesmaids at the wedding of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, is engaged to Mark Frederic Kerr, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Longman of Eaton Square, London, it was announced today.

Lady Elizabeth is the daughter of the Countess of Cavan and of the late Field-Marshal Lord Cavan who was Chief of the Imperial General Staff from 1922 to 1926 and Captain of the Corps of Gentlemen at Arms from 1929 to 1931.—Reuter.

PINNACE SAILS 900 MILES

London, May 12.—A 60-foot pinnace from the Royal Air Force station at Koggala, Ceylon, has completed one of the longest trips ever made by a service craft of its size—a nonstop 900-mile passage across the Bay of Bengal to Sagay, off the north coast of Sumatra, the Air Ministry disclosed today. The trip took four days.

The pinnace was commanded by Squadron Leader G. E. Coates, Command Marine Officer at Headquarters, Air Command, Far East, who was the navigator in two Antarctic expeditions before the war.—Reuter.

It added that, recently the President renewed his invitation through the American Embassy in New Delhi, suggesting October as an agreeable time.

"The Prime Minister has authorised the American Ambassador to India to report that he, Mr. Nehru, had accepted the invitation and looked forward to visiting America at the time suggested."

The White House also said Mr. Nehru had received one of the most impressive welcomes ever tendered a foreign dignitary in this country. The United States has made no secret of its attempt to solidify relations with India. Recent events in China have caused more and more officials and Congressmen to express the opinion that India represents the main hope for democratic stability in Asia.

Against this background, it was virtually certain the official reception tendered Mr. Nehru would be most impressive and lavish. During the past year, Mr. Nehru has frequently expressed the hope, in United Press interviews, that he would be able to visit Washington.

However, at the time he believed it inadvisable to make such a trip as an extension of his trips to the United Kingdom for the Commonwealth meetings. He believed that his prolonged absence from India would be unwise in view of the many official duties requiring his presence in New Delhi.—United Press.

His complaint drew an expression of regret from Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, American delegate in the Committee, who said she was sorry that "any group of irresponsible hoodlums should make such an attack on any United Nations delegate."

The exchange took place in the Social Committee.—United Press.

Eggs Thrown At Delegate's Car

Lake Success, May 12.—The Saudi-Arabian delegate today complained in a United Nations Committee that his car was pelted with eggs this morning while on route from a garage to call for him at his hotel.

"This is not freedom. This is licence," said the Arab diplomat, Mr. Jamil Baroudy.

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Manchuria's Coal Production

San Francisco, May 12.—Coal production in Manchuria has exceeded the first quarter target for 1949 by six percent, Communist Peiping Radio reported tonight.

The Radio said that the higher production figure was in part due to improvements in mining technique, and in part to the fact that there are 40 State-owned pits in Manchuria. These employ 100,000 miners.—Reuter.

It's Called "The Imp"

Landmarks In Resolving Palestine Problem

Washington, May 12.—President Truman today told the press that 1948 saw the establishment of certain definite landmarks pointing toward solution of the Palestine problem, "which has baffled statecraft for a generation."

Mr. Truman added that the most outstanding of these landmarks was the creation of the state of Israel.

His comments were in a report entitled "United States Participation in the United Nations" in 1948, which included a chapter devoted to Palestine.

"The Jewish population of Palestine, with the assistance of their co-religionists throughout the world, proclaimed and protected the new state of Israel," said the President.

"The state of Israel, as Count Bernadotte noted, exists and as 1948 drew to a close it was obvious that the armed forces of Israel were capable of defending it."

He then said events of the tumultuous year in Palestine, involving withdrawal from its mandate by the United Kingdom, establishment of Israel and sharp warfare between the Arab and Jewish armies, "did not result in a decisive display of United Nations strength confronting the problem, for which only a more measured pace of history would provide an answer."

"Nevertheless, the United Nations, although it did not resort to force to put down this incipient war in the Middle East, was a large measure successful in putting bounds to the conflict. It gave effect to the principle that a threat to international peace and security anywhere is the concern of the international community everywhere, and, although, according to Charter interpretation sustained by the General Assembly had no power to enforce its political recommendations through Security Council action, the Council itself had ample opportunity in dealing with Palestine to exercise its responsibilities for the maintenance of peace, and security."

United Press.

POCKET CARTOON



SEEK MORE FISHING GROUNDS

Japanese Request

Tokyo, May 12.—The Japan Industrial Council today called for expansion of Japan's authorised fishery grounds toward China and the Philippines as a means of meeting the current food deficits.

The proposal was contained in the "Three Year Reconstruction Plan for the Aquatic Industry" whose goal is a 10 percent increase in Japanese fisheries production. Maximum utilisation of fishing craft, improvement in storage methods, a long term conservation programme and other efficiency drives also were urged.

Mr. W. C. Herrington, chief of SCAAP's Fisheries Division, said the Council had not submitted the petition embodying the fisheries ground expansion scheme to his office. However, he said other similar petitions have been received and rejected in the past.

EAST CHINA SEA

The Council's plan called for expansion of the fisheries grounds in the East China Sea and the Yellow Sea for dragnet and trawl fishing and extension of the southern fisheries limits for bonito and tuna fishing.

Except for Antarctic expeditions Japan currently is limited to fishing grounds only a fraction of the area its vessels exploited before World War II. The grounds are limited on the south by a 2,000-mile line extending east from Fomosa, on the east at 105 degrees east longitude, on the north by a line passing just north of Hokkaido, Japan's most northernmost island, and on the west by a line extending through the centre of Japan Sea, Yellow and the East China Sea.

Before General MacArthur imposed these limits early in the occupation Japanese fishermen roamed north into the Bering Sea, east to the Mexican and South American coasts, south as far as Australia and west into the Indian Ocean.—United Press.

Worldwide Study Recommended

Lake Success, May 12.—The United Nations Social Committee today decided to ask the General Assembly to recommend a worldwide study of social and cultural conditions for the Economic and Social Council.

The Committee also approved by 24 votes to eight with five abstentions—a French-Libanes resolution calling for censuses on the subject between the United Nations, the United Nations specialised agencies and non-Government organisations.—Reuter.

NOTICE

THE DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that the Sixty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 5th Floor, F. & O. Building, Hongkong, on Wednesday, 25th May, 1949, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with the statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1948; to elect Members of the Consulting Committee and to re-appoint Auditors.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 19th May, 1949, to the 25th May, 1949, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & COMPANY
General Managers.
Hongkong, 11th May, 1949.

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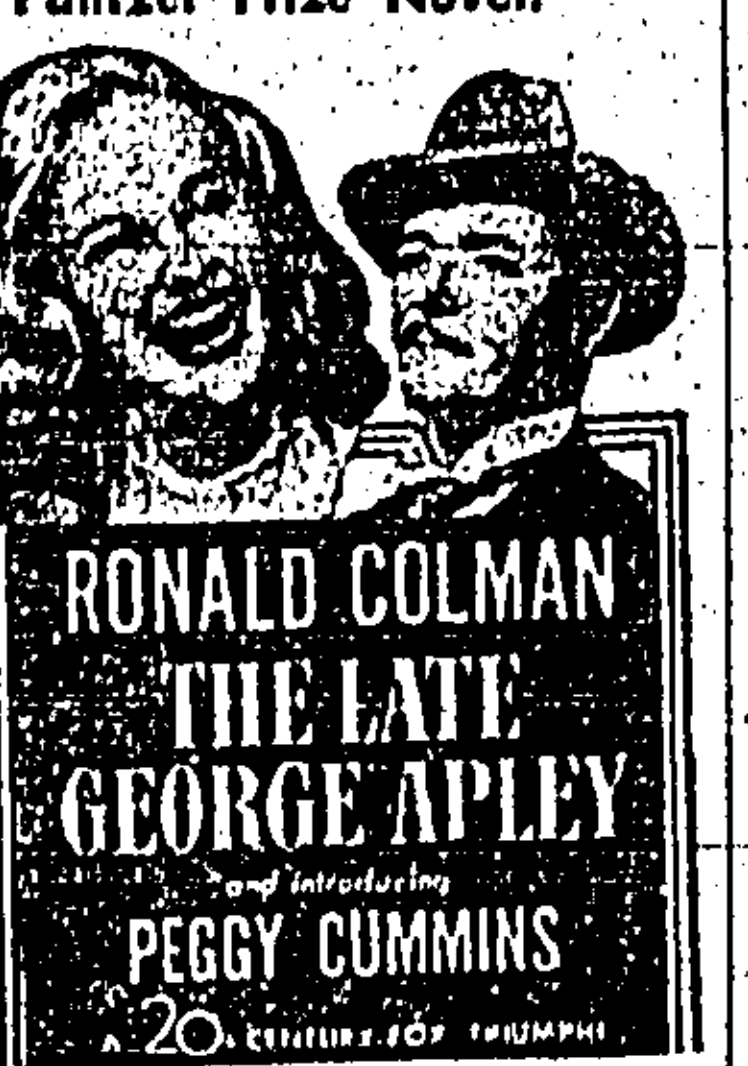
Announce that, from 1st June, 1949, the rate for telegrams to China will be increased from HK\$0.40 to HK\$0.64 per full rate word, with corresponding increases in other classes of traffic.

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